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# PM BROWN BACKS OUR CAMPAIGN

## Gordon praises action against benefits swindlers

■ BY ED HILL

**EXCLUSIVE**

OUR hard-hitting clamp-down on benefit fraudsters has gone right to the very top of government, with Prime Minister Gordon Brown throwing his support behind the campaign.



Mr Brown congratulated this paper's 'Your Money - Your Loss' drive, which is already bringing con-artists to book, saying that while unemployment levels are low the need to stamp out benefit cheats is as strong as ever.

He said: "Everyone who can work

must be available for work, and we will not tolerate people who are cheating the welfare system and taking money away from people who really need it.

"That is why I congratulate Yoursware on its campaign to root out the benefit cheats.

"We now have one million fewer people on out-of-work benefits than in 1997.

"But we need to go further now in training every person still on benefits for the jobs that are available, and

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### 'THERE ARE NO EXCUSES'

Prime Minister Gordon Brown believes there is no excuse for anyone to cheat the benefits system - and has backed our campaign. But we can only stop the drain on public funds with YOUR help.

So far your response has been excellent - informing benefits officers of those you believe are cheating every taxpayer in the borough. Equally as important is to discourage anyone from thinking they can get away with it.

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# Lack of support is Mayor's own fault, say angry councillors

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

COUNCIL members have hit back at outgoing Mayor Trevor Fentiman following his explosive comments on leaving office.

Mr Fentiman, who failed to win the Conservative nomination to stand in last week's election, criticised a perceived lack of support from the town council, which he alleges is the result of a class divide amongst the ruling Tories.

He made the claims in a Q&A you can read on page 8 of Yourswale this week.

Yet Cllr Derrick Swain has defended members claiming it was Mr Fentiman's own lack of leadership that resulted in his abandonment.

He said: "Trevor's main failing as mayor, in contrast to his hard work and success in representing the town, has been a huge absence of leadership at council."

"He might wish to be reminded that all but one councillor supported his re-election as mayor for a second term."

"His inability to get his party's nomination by majority vote to stand as a candidate in the recent local elections should be taken as a failing on his part, not as a result of any plot against him."

"It is a shame that the blame culture appears to be alive and well in Trevor's interpretation of events."

"And claims of class prejudice are the last resort of a charlatan."

"That the 2004 to 2008 town council boasted a very good cross section of local society was indeed a strength."

The mayor, who will stand down on Sunday, May 11, also lashed out at fellow town councillors' lack of generosity when it came to supporting



**DISAGREEMENT:** Faversham's Guildhall has been home to some resentment during the mayor's reign his charity work, in which he is aiming to raise £10,000 for the town council.

Only one town councillor – Brian Mulherne – attended the ex-mayor's recent birthday party at the Prince of India Restaurant in Faversham, at which he was taking donations.

Cllr Fentiman instead celebrated with visiting mayors, other borough councillors, friends and guests.

Cllr Swain said: "The claim that he lacked fundraising support from the majority of his fellow councillors is unfair."

"Not once did the mayor ask councillors for help in arranging and organising fundraising events."

"Councillors' pockets are heavily stretched by charity events during the annual calendar, and it is best not to count the cost."

"I hope Trevor will enjoy a rest from local politics, and put any wrongly conceived bitterness behind him."

• See the Q&A with Trevor Fentiman on page 8.

## Campaign shows benefit fraud will not be tolerated

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working with employers to provide more job opportunities for them. But in return for these new opportunities, there will be new responsibilities."

The Prime Minister's praise follows hot on the heels of similar support from his appointed fraud minister James Plaskitt.

The minister said: "I am all in favour in papers such as Yourswale getting involved in this. I think it helps get the message across to the small minority of people who think they can get away with fraud."

"It gives the message to the rest of the community that it will not be tolerated."

Mr Plaskitt said the government's fraud and error department had helped bring a record number of fraudsters to justice – resulting in a dramatic fall in the cost of benefit fraud.

He said: "We are now catching a record number of people. Last year we successfully prosecuted 624 people in Kent. Five years ago the total figure lost to the taxpayer was £2.3 billion. Last year that had dropped to £800 million."

• If you know a fraudster, call the council's benefit fraud hotline on 01795 417714 or go the web-site at [www.swale.gov.uk/doitonline](http://www.swale.gov.uk/doitonline).

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**NEWS** IN BRIEF

## Support family in cancer charity trek

A FATHER and daughter intend to trek across the Greek island of Rhodes next month to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Nigel Garland, 48, whose father died from cancer in January, aims to complete the 250-mile walk with his daughter Summa, 20, both from Faversham, in ten days.

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# Tories tighten their grip on the council

BY SIMON ROBINSON

THE Conservatives tightened their grip on Swale council – gaining one seat in the local elections.

The Tories won three seats on Thursday night – replacing the Liberal Democrats in Minster Cliffs and St Michael's, and Labour in Queenborough and Halfway – but also lost two to the Lib Dems in Davington and Sheppey First in Sheppey Central.

Both Labour and the Lib Dems ended the night with one less seat than they started with.

Conservative leader Andrew Bowles, who retained his Boughton and Courtney ward by a landslide, said: "It's been a great day for the Conservatives and for the people of Swale."

"I think the result demonstrates two things. One, Swale residents are happy with the direction we're taking the area forward and two, they've sent a clear message to Prime Minister Gordon Brown that people in rural areas are not pleased."

"The sooner he goes the better."

Labour leader Angela Harrison said: "I feel really disappointed for Jackie Constable, who lost her seat in Queenborough and Halfway."

"She was a good local councillor. On the doorsteps people were saying 'we know she's good' but these people didn't vote. It's not a lack of support, the voters just didn't turn out."

Lib Dem leader Elvie Lowe said: "We were fighting a Tory surge, they did very well."

"Labour did very badly and we just about held our own but we knew it was going to be difficult."

"We didn't expect to lose the seats we did, though. Those councillors were awfully hard-working and had an awful amount of support."

"We're now looking towards the next elections."

The councillors elected in each ward are as



THIS WAY: Voters turned out across Swale to have their say on who should represent them – see the full results on [www.yourswale.co.uk](http://www.yourswale.co.uk)

follows: Abbey – Anita Walker (Con), Boughton and Courtney – Andrew Bowles (Con), Chalkwell – Ghlin Whelan (Lab), Davington – Michael Henderson (Lib), East Downs – Colin Prescott (Con), Iwade and Lower Halstow – Ben Stokes (Con), Kemsley – Susan Gent (Con), Milton Regis – Elvie Lowe (Lib), Minster Cliffs – Adrian Crowther (Con), Murston –

David Banks (Lib), Queenborough and Halfway – Paul Hayes (Con), Roman – Mike Haywood (Lab), Sheppey Central – Paul Sturdge (Sheppey First), St Ann's – Mark Baldock (Con), St Michael's – Derek Conway (Con), Watling – David Simmons (Con).

• To see the votes every candidate received in each ward log on to [www.yourswale.co.uk](http://www.yourswale.co.uk).

## Shopping hell of WAG Cassie

WAG Cassie Sumner has written a book about the perils of being a footballer's girlfriend.

In *Loving It*, the glamour girl, from the Isle of Sheppey, reveals her "nightmare life" of partying and how she broke down in tears at the thought of shopping.

Cassie became a regular on the London party scene before claiming she dated Chelsea star Michael Essien.

She appeared on reality TV show *WAG Boutique* in a hail of publicity, but found herself in trouble when the Ghanaian star said he'd never actually gone out with her.

Other men in her life have included comedian Russell Brand and celebrity chef Jean-Christophe Novelli.

Cassie said she wrote her book to warn other impressionable young girls.

She told the *News of the World*: "I got so bored."

"I could shop whenever I wanted and spend as much as I liked – but it was no longer a thrill. It was a chore. I realised then I hated that whole world – it was so ridiculous."

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## Polytunnels to be contested due to fears for the view

A PLAN to build polythene tunnels for fruit growing on 27 hectares of land is being opposed by a parish council – even though the proposers say it could create 180 new jobs.

Hernhill Parish Council says it will contest a planning application from Herne Hill Nurseries to build the structures – known as polytunnels.

The planning application is currently with Swale council who will have the final say.

The nursery group has grown 1,200 tonnes of strawberries a year on its current 15 hectares, distributing the fruit nationwide and employing 20 people.

They said the expansion would provide 180 new jobs – but residents claim they would be an eyesore as the area concerned is the equivalent to 68 football pitches.

Jason Davis-Baker, site director at Hernhill Nurseries, said: "We will work to minimise that problem and we'll talk to the neighbours it affects most."

In a landmark decision in 2006, the High Court ruled planning permission was needed before polytunnels could be erected.

## Police operation takes dodgy cars off the streets

UNTAXED and abandoned cars were removed from the streets of Swale this week during a police blitz.

Police seized 36 untaxed vehicles during the week-long crackdown as part of Operation Cubit.

Two vehicles were also seized for having no insurance and officers fined two people for not wearing seat belts.

Operation Cubit is a joint initiative that aims to respond to the problem of untaxed, uninsured or abandoned vehicle which can become a target for vandals.

Four police officers a day worked on the operation using an automatic number plate recognition system, as well as patrols and intelligence gathered from the council, local police officers and police community support officers.

Chief Inspector Mark Chambers, Swale's borough commander, said:


"This has been another successful operation and reinforces our commitment to removing as many untaxed and abandoned vehicles as we can to ensure that our residents can enjoy a better quality of life and cleaner, safer streets."

During the operation vehicles can be clamped, confiscated or removed, and unless registered owners are able to pay the tax owing and provide valid MOT and insurance, the vehicle will be destroyed.

The operation was run with the DVLA and Swale council.

Alistair Andrews, environmental response manager for Swale council, said: "We're pleased to be involved in a project that identifies and deters people who are flouting the law."

"Abandoned cars cause a safety hazard and spoil our countryside. Operations like these go a long way towards our objectives of creating a cleaner and a safer Swale."



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# Big Weekend is go

Picture: Rex Features



HER MADGESTY: Madonna is headline act at Radio 1's Big Weekend

## Star-studded line-up the hottest ticket in town

■ BY JON COATES

THE three-month build-up to the biggest music event to come to Kent in decades is nearing completion.

The four stages, which will host more than 50 top UK and international bands and DJs, are now in place for Radio 1's Big Weekend in Mote Park, Maidstone.

The festival – on Saturday and Sunday – will be headlined by Madonna, The Kooks, The Editors, Raconteurs, Fatboy Slim and Kent's own Pete Tong.

About 34,000 tickets have been allocated – with the vast majority going to music fans in Maidstone and the rest of the county.

### Chance

Forty-five per cent, or 15,300, went to people living in the county town, with a further 40 per cent, or 13,600, going to fans across the rest of Kent.

Ten per cent, or 3,400, went to the surrounding areas of Sussex, Surrey, Essex and London, and five per cent, or 1,700, tickets were allocated across the rest of the UK.

A Radio 1 spokeswoman said: "You had the highest chance of getting a ticket if you lived in Maidstone – with a one in 16 chance for Saturday and a one in nine chance for Sunday.

"You also had more of a chance of being



HEADLINERS: The Kooks will join a host of top acts

allocated a ticket if you lived in Kent than the rest of the UK."

A ticket tout has already tried to sell a pair of Saturday tickets – when Madonna takes to the main stage – for £500 on an auction website.

But Radio 1 bosses have warned music fans not to take a costly gamble, as for past events tickets have been sold for hundreds of pounds only for the seller to declare their tickets lost and get replacements.

The buyer will not know if the tickets have been invalidated until they get to the entrance gates.

All of the tickets also have the holder's name and address, and a unique barcode, on them, and there will be ID checks before admission.

Security, policing and transport arrangements are in place to ensure the festival runs without a hitch.

Police warned this week that anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated – with offi-

cers given extra powers by the courts to disperse known troublemakers.

Anyone found hanging around Mote Park who does not have a ticket and is causing a disturbance will be moved on.

Posters have gone up in the area advising residents of the order, which will come into effect tomorrow and Thursday's and run until Sunday.

Event commander, Superintendent Ian Hall, said: "Should officers see anyone from Maidstone who is known for anti-social behaviour and who is not in possession of tickets for the event, then they will be warned that a dispersal order is in place and moved on."

Ticket holders have been urged to use public transport or walk to the festival – rather than use cars.

Extra park and ride services will run from London Road and Sittingbourne Road until midnight on both days, together with extra buses coming from Medway and along the London Road.

South Eastern is also providing extra trains to Maidstone East and West stations.

Maidstone council and Kent police hope to keep disruption to a minimum and there will be no parking in Mote Park or surrounding residential roads.

Anyone found parking illegally risks a fine or being towed away, but residents have been sent permits to allow them to get to and from their homes.

• Full band line-up for the Big Weekend can be seen on our sister website [www.yourmaidstone.co.uk](http://www.yourmaidstone.co.uk).

## All that glitters is Goldfrapp

GLAM-pop duo Goldfrapp will bring their synthesized sounds to Mote Park on Sunday afternoon, writes Simon Robinson.

The established London electro/disco outfit, fronted by lead singer Alison Goldfrapp from whom the band take their name, will take a break from a string of sold out solo gigs to perform at the Big Weekend.

But despite notching up five top 20 singles in their nine year career – most notably the infectious club hit Ooh La La – composer Will Gregory said accepting Radio 1's invite to play during the open-air two-day was somewhat of an enjoyable risk.

Speaking from a New York hotel on the morning of the band's last

mini-US tour gig, he said: "Festivals are great but are sort of a double-edged sword.

"The audiences are serious music fans but they haven't come specifically to see you, so people will just fall away if they're not interested in what you're doing.

"On the other hand, it's great playing to people on the second day of festivals when they're right in the middle of letting go.

"You don't get that at one-off gigs.

"Festivals also take away the comfort zone of sound checks, so we're going to have to get on the stage and go with it.

"That gives the performance an exciting edge. There's a rawness to it. We've got to give it our best shot."

With their travel arrangement back to Blighty not yet finalised, Will said he didn't know if he would make it down to Maidstone in time for the Big Weekend's opening day, headlined by the Queen of Pop Madonna.

He said: "We're planning on staying in America for a couple of days but I'd like to come down for the Saturday.

"I'd quite like to see Guillemots and Editors. That's the nice thing about festivals, you get to see other bands play."

Chances are the stage wings will be packed with equally interested artists for Goldfrapp's set, having built up a legion of admirers both in and out of the British music

scene since their Felt Mountain 2000 debut.

Will said their success on the home-front was due to their traditional feel.

He said: "What we do is quite English or British, we're slightly eccentric and have a quirky sense of humour.

"It's that character that maybe people connect with."

Goldfrapp's latest album, Seventh Tree, moves on from the hard-hitting disco roots the band have made their own, to a warm acoustic sound.

Goldfrapp take to the main stage on Sunday afternoon, performing after The Pigeon Detectives and before US rap star Nelly.



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SYNTH STARS: Goldfrapp will play on Sunday afternoon



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JOIN WITH US: The Feeling can't wait to play in front of the huge crowd at Radio 1's Big Weekend in Maidstone

# Feeling good

THE Feeling will spend all of Saturday at the Big Weekend checking out the new talent being showcased across its four stages, *writes Jon Coates*.

The indie outfit, from Sussex and London, are the second act on the main stage, following openers The Hoosiers.

They plan to then wander around the site taking in bands they have not seen while on tour in Japan and working on their second album Join With Us, which went to number one in the album chart in February.

Drummer Paul Stewart said: "It was incredible. You spend so many months trying to get a record as good as you think it can be, but you never know if it will meet everyone else's expectations."

"So we were over the moon with the reception the second album got – it was amazing."

## Sunny

The Feeling went on a mini-tour of the UK in March and will support Bon Jovi at four stadium gigs in June, before going out on their own main tour in the autumn.

When the call came in from Radio 1 to take part in the Big Weekend, they jumped at the chance of getting involved during a break in their gigging schedule.

Paul said: "The Big Weekend is a one-off for us. It's really nice to be asked and we said 'yes please' straight away."

"We are looking forward to it. Fingers crossed for the weather. It's great to have people going nuts in a field to good music, but if it's a beautiful sunny day, there is nothing better than hanging around

having a few beers and seeing some bands.

"We will be there all day taking it all in. A lot of the time due to our schedule we turn up an hour before we play and then an hour later leave, which is a shame."

"We always ask when possible if we can get there towards the start and go home at the end."

The drummer said he is looking forward to discover great new bands: "The main focus is understandably on the main stage, but there are a lot of up and coming breakthrough acts that we many never have heard of that are great to see."

"We have spent a lot of time in Japan recently and people starting talking to us about bands we have missed while we have been away."

"We will just wander around and see what is going on, as live music is in such a healthy state at the moment."

The Feeling also relish the challenge of converting new fans at festivals.

Paul said: "Festivals are the only opportunity you get to play to people who may be half interested in seeing you or people on their way to another stage."

"It takes you back to when you are playing in pubs and clubs trying to convert a new crowd."

And for the drummer it will be even more special as he has family in Maidstone.

The Feeling played a gig in Dover earlier this year and at the festival in Port Lympne last year, so are no strangers to Kent.

Paul said: "It's nice to see Radio 1, who can go anywhere, chose to have the Big Weekend in Maidstone. I think this is nice and fitting."

The only dilemma his band has is how many of their hits they will be able to cram into their half-hour slot.

## Local heroes to join the big line-up

TWO Kent bands will rub plectrums with the Queen of Pop Madonna and indie giants The Kooks – after being added to the Big Weekend bill.

Guitar-driven quartet It Hugs Back, from Maidstone, and Tunbridge Wells folk stars Tom Williams and The Boat will both play at the Mote Park festival.

They were both given slots on the BBC Introducing stage after being handpicked to perform by DJ Huw Stephens.

The emerging talent stage gives unsigned, undiscovered and under the radar music, artists and DJs the chance to play to a 17,500-strong crowd.

Their performances will be filmed and recorded for broadcast on the Radio 1 shows of Huw Stephens, Zane Lowe and Rob Da Bank, other BBC Radio shows across the country and possibly network television.

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## Annie Mac's in town

RADIO 1 DJ Annie Mac is looking forward to the best Big Weekend yet.

The rising star, 29, (pictured) will be one of the busiest people working at the two-day event in Maidstone.

She will broadcast her weekend show from backstage at Mote Park from 1pm to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Annie will be filming her music TV show Sound on BBC2 on Saturday at... with Nick Grimshaw, with the show to be broadcast on BBC2 on Saturday at... with Nick

The Dublin-born DJ then has the dubious task of headlining the Outdoor DJ Stage on the Saturday night – at the same time as Madonna takes to the main stage.

Annie will then hot-foot it across to the Aftershow Party at Maidstone Studios for an early slot, before grabbing a few hours sleep in preparation for the Sunday.

She said she cannot wait for the festival to get underway:



"The Big Weekend is one of those events where I always feel very proud of what it can do."

"The DJs get to hang out and be part of something big, you feel part of a big force."

"This will be my third Big Weekend and without doubt this will be the best one yet – the line-up is better than Reading, or Leeds, or Glastonbury, it is incredible."

"The main stage line-up was impressive, but when I saw the In New Music We Trust Stage line-up I was blown away – as it has all the upcoming bands that you want to see."

Annie added: "I am looking forward to seeing Vampire Weekend. I saw them at a small gig a long time ago, so to see them playing on a big stage will be cool."

"I love The Futureheads, they are a great band, and Pendulum – many people will not have seen them live and are in for a treat."



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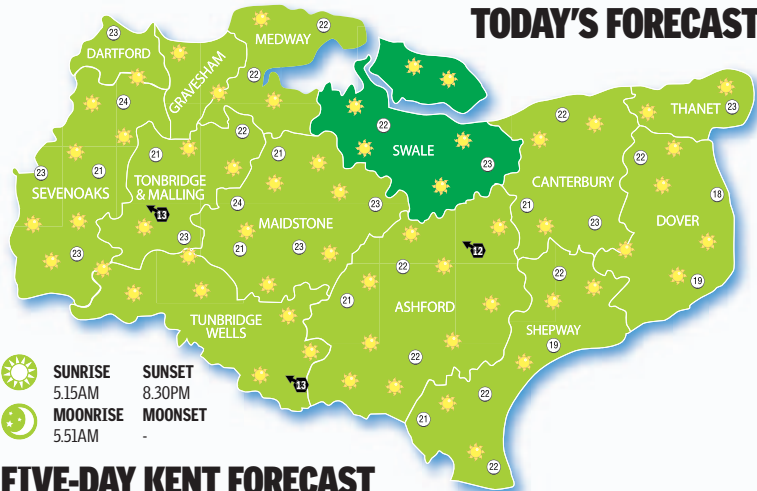
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Canterbury	19°C	20°C	20°C	21°C	18°C	Maidstone	21°C	23°C	23°C	23°C	20°C
Chatham	16°C	18°C	18°C	19°C	17°C	Ramsgate	19°C	20°C	20°C	21°C	18°C
Dartford	20°C	23°C	23°C	23°C	20°C	Rochester	16°C	18°C	18°C	19°C	17°C
Dover	16°C	18°C	18°C	17°C	15°C	Sevenoaks	19°C	21°C	21°C	21°C	19°C
Faversham	16°C	18°C	18°C	19°C	17°C	Sittingbourne	16°C	18°C	18°C	19°C	17°C
Folkestone	16°C	18°C	18°C	17°C	15°C	Tonbridge	20°C	22°C	22°C	22°C	21°C
Gillingham	16°C	18°C	18°C	19°C	17°C	Tun Wells	20°C	22°C	22°C	22°C	21°C

## WEEKEND HIGH TIDES

Chatham	Saturday	3:33pm	6.0m
	Sunday	4:19pm	5.8m
Dover	Saturday	1:52pm	6.6m
	Sunday	2:45pm	6.4m
Dungeness	Saturday	1:47pm	7.7m
	Sunday	2:33pm	7.4m
Ramsgate	Saturday	2:22pm	5.0m
	Sunday	3:15pm	4.9m
Sheerness	Saturday	3:23pm	5.7m
	Sunday	4:09pm	5.5m
Whitstable	Saturday	3:31pm	5.2m
	Sunday	4:15pm	5.1m

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Beijing	22°C	Rome	20°C
Bombay	31°C	Sydney	20°C
Cape Town	23°C	Tenerife	24°C
Cardiff	17°C	Tokyo	20°C
Gibraltar	19°C	Vancouver	12°C
Hong Kong	29°C	Warsaw	19°C
Las Palmas	23°C	Wellington	11°C



**GOOD WORK:** Sheila Smith thanks Kent Probation Community Payback officer Alan Woolley (right) watched by Dave Cooper, senior community officer for Groundwork Kent and Medway.)

## Team pays back at county park

CONVICTED vandals have been giving something back to the community by helping clear a nature reserve.

The Community Payback team, run by the probation service, hauled logs out of the stream at the Oare Gunpowder Works Country Park into surrounding woodland to help create a new wildlife habitat.

Sheila Smith, countryside officer for Swale council, said: "Vandals have thrown wood into the streams. This blocked water courses, was detrimental to wildlife and made the place look a mess."

"The offenders have also cleared away tyres and other rubbish such as tins and bottles - basic work, but work that is essential to keep the site clean and that would have cost us a lot of money to pay a contractor to do."

Alan Marolia, the council contracts officer responsible for grounds maintenance, calculates that work carried out by offenders over the past year is worth more than £50,000, work that would not otherwise have been done.

He said: "They became victims of this type of crime, which was a good education for them."

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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### TREVOR FENTIMAN



**Q** What have been the highs and lows of your two years as mayor of Faversham?

**A** The highs have been the generosity of the people of Faversham and how they supported me and my charity.

The lows have been the fact that my fellow councillors haven't supported me, with a few honourable exceptions.

They not only didn't support my charity but tried to get me removed from office by reporting me several times to the Standards in Public Life Board.

Each time I was exonerated.

**Q** Was there a clash of cultures between yourself and your fellow Conservative councillors?

**A** Being a working class guy myself, I wanted to attract employment to the town rather than allow the housing spree the Conservative group has presided over which has taken over our industrial sites.

We have seen the demise of Smedleys, Fremains and Frank and Whittome and we can see the empty shops in our town.

**Q** Do you think there's a clique of councillors who have got their own agenda on how the town should be run?

**A** They want to see Faversham turned into a dormitory town for London where local people won't be able to afford to buy houses. They want us to be another Whitstable with-

out the industry. Regenerating the creek and relying on tourism isn't going to bring prosperity, not when you are next door to a tourist magnet like Canterbury.

Swale has a tourist information centre but we don't seem to co-operate with anyone so Faversham can be a part of East Kent's tourist experience.

Faversham is a unique setting. History is all around you, and I feel it can be pushed better. We hold fantastic one-off events like the Hop Festival but nothing is sustained.

**Q** So some of your ex-colleagues ignore what goes on around them?

**A** I think they do. We were discussing a plan to build houses on a filling station in Stone Street and one of my colleagues wasn't aware there was a petrol station at Tesco about a quarter of a mile away.

**Q** Do you think Faversham is being strangled by Swale council's centralisation on Sittingbourne?

**A** The council plans to close the cash office in the Alexandra Centre but hasn't said how people can pay their council tax. Everybody knows where the council offices are. It is short sighted but that's what I have come to expect from Swale council.

Not everyone has got a bank account, Pay Pal or a computer, and some people can't afford to go to Sittingbourne to pay in cash.

**Q** Do you think local politics should be left to local people, and do you think decision making is becoming removed from the average voter?

**A** You only have to look at the way councillors are told to toe the party line.

The way parties are whipped to ensure they vote the right way only makes members voting fodder. If you have an original point of view that differs from the masses, people shout you down.

Many times you see decisions made along party lines rather than what's best for the district or the town.

To run a town council like Faversham you need consensus after a healthy debate. Also you must be able to speak your mind without other members ganging up and trying to desecrate you every five minutes.

**Q** What are you going to do now you are no longer mayor of Faversham?

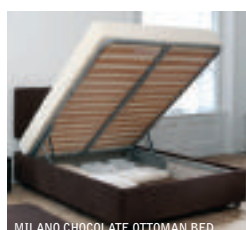
**A** I'm taking it easy. I'm marrying my long term partner Wendy. Not being mayor doesn't mean I've given up on the people who supported me.

It seems to me the one thing missing in politics at the moment is nobody seems to stand up for the working classes.

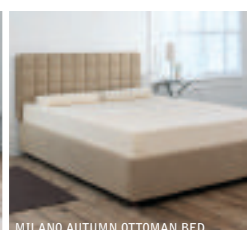
They seem to be ignored and as a result are being priced out of things like a roof over their heads, which not so long ago they would have taken as read.

Q & A

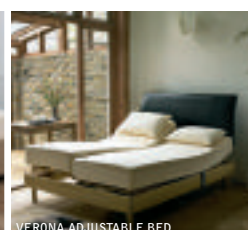
The outgoing mayor of Faversham, Cllr Trevor Fentiman, talks to reporter Ian Read and doesn't pull any punches when it comes to giving his views on some of his fellow councillors.



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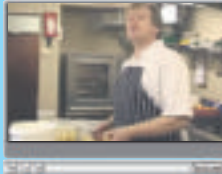
KCC chairman Leyland Ridings presents Sandwich Tech with an Eco-Schools Flag.



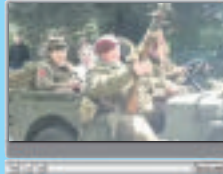
Julie Maddocks meets young chefs at work in the kitchen at Canterbury College.



Kent Police raid a drug den in Ramsgate after obtaining a closure notice. Tom Betts filmed it.



Biddenden chef Graham Garrett creates two new recipes using the famous Porkington sausage.



Whitstable's military weekend attracted thousands. Rachel McAtthy gives her salute.

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# Mia's the strongest link

BY NICK AMES

CLAIRVOYANT and ghost-hunter Mia Dolan used her brain power to raise money for children's hospice Demelza House by winning a TV quiz show.

She walked away with £13,500 to donate to her favourite charity after winning a "psychics' challenge" version of the BBC's hit show *The Weakest Link*, presented by Anne Robinson.

Psychic Mia appears in the ITV show *Haunted Homes*, in which she investigates spooky goings-on with colleagues David Vee and Professor Chris French.

The trio spend two nights in a "haunted" building attempting to find evidence of ghostly activity.

Mia has been a constant supporter of Sittingbourne's Demelza House – which cares for seriously ill children – and met residents and staff during her visit to present the *Weakest Link* prize money.

"From personal experience, there's no greater pain than losing a child," she said. "So it's a great honour for me to help Demelza in any way I can."

Sue Booth, the charity's campaigns manager, said: "We were delighted when we heard that Mia was donating her winnings to us and even more so when she came to visit."

"This is a fantastic amount and donations like Mia's will enable us to continue caring for the children and families who need our services."

### Dedicated

Demelza provides respite, symptom control, end-of-life care and bereavement support for more than 450 children and their families across the South East.

It has a play area, therapy units and even a whirlpool bath. Dedicated staff ensure that each child makes the most of every moment spent in the hospice.

Another feature is a bereavement suite – known as the Hop Garden – which allows a family to let go and say goodbye to a child at their own pace.

The charity, which marks its 10th anniversary this year, also has a 'hospice at home' service, with paediatric nurses offering visits to homes, and emergency cover and assistance from groups such as bereavement charity Cruse.



CHEQUE OUT: TV psychic Mia Dolan, left, presents her prize money to Lisa Busby of Demelza House

## How Kray twins got on their bikes around Kent

NOTORIOUS gangsters Ronnie and Reggie Kray loved "cycling down country lanes" in Kent touring antique shops for bargains.

The bizarre revelation about the killers, who were, jailed for life in 1969 for the murders of Jack 'The Hat' McVitie and George Cornell, are in *The Kray Tapes*, which went on sale this week.

The interviews with Ronnie, Reggie and Charlie Kray, reveal they got out of London as often as possible.

In the 1989 interview – never heard before – with Kent author Robin McGibbon – Ronnie says: "We used to go every weekend and used to go cycling along country lanes and go to antique shops."

And Ronnie, who died at 61 of a heart attack in March 1995, said he and Reg – who died in October 2000 from bladder cancer at the age of 66 – said they never committed any crimes when they toured Kent, Suffolk, Sussex and Hertfordshire on their bikes.

He said: "We loved the peacefulness, nice scenery and the quiet. We used to go for long walks along country lanes – it was smashing."

Mr McGibbon, started corresponding with the twins while they were in prison and taped interviews during visits.

• The CDs are produced by Right Recordings and released on Monday for £14.99, with an initial run of 5,000 units.

## Get your trainers on, girls, Race for Life needs you

MORE women are needed to take part in 5km fun-runs aimed at raising money for the fight against cancer.

Cancer Research UK is looking for ladies to join in Race for Life events across the county during the next two months.

Interest has been high for the flagship fund-raising drive in some areas but disappointing in others.

The fun-runs are open to all women, regardless of athletic ability.

In 2007 about 665,000 women walked,

jogged or ran in the event nationwide, raising £40million for the charity.

Organisers are looking for more women to take part this year and raise even more funds.

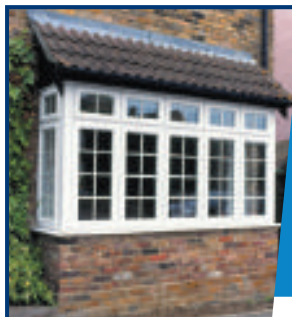
They are mainly searching for people to take part in the Thanet and Ashford runs, on June 22 and June 29 respectively – which are both at less than half capacity.

Only 879 women have registered for the Thanet run, which is 40 per cent of the 2,200 target.

In Ashford 793 ladies have pledged to take part, which is 44.1 per cent of the 1,800 target.

Women can also take part in Maidstone on May 18, Paddock Wood on May 21, Gillingham on June 1, Maidstone on June 8 and Folkestone on June 15. These are all at between 70 to 80 per cent capacity.

The final race in Herne Bay, which is set for July 6, has reached its capacity, but anyone interested can still contact the event organisers at [www.raceforlife.org](http://www.raceforlife.org).



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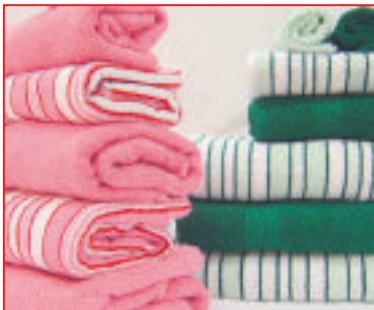
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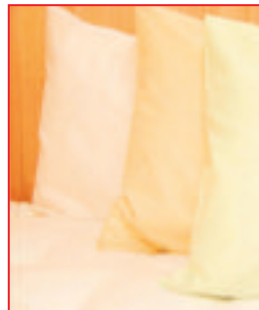


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# Here's looking at you, kid

BY NICK AMES

THE Prince's Trust is looking for volunteers to help unemployed young people get back into the workplace in a new initiative for the county.

The mentoring scheme has been successful in other parts of the UK and this summer it will be launched in Kent.

It is aimed at assisting young people who want to move on with their lives and build on the confidence and skills they have acquired while completing a course run by the trust.

The role requires a commitment of two hours fortnightly over six months and includes offering support and encouragement in exploring training and education opportunities.

Gill Rogers is responsible for the implementation of the scheme. She said: "It has been successful elsewhere so it is natural that we want to expand it and help people in Kent."

"The volunteers we are looking for do not need an armful of qualifications. But what they do require is a commitment to working with and assisting young people who are unemployed to achieve their goals."

"The scheme is an expansion of one we have already used called business mentoring. This is more a personal mentoring approach, although the actual title is progression mentoring."

The people who take on the challenge will be asked to form a bond and a meaningful relationship with young people who are often educational under-achievers, care-leavers or ex-offenders.

And those who have already taken part say the scheme is extremely rewarding. Steve Arnold has been a progression mentor for three years.

"It is really inspiring to be able to see them move on and to succeed in their lives and to feel that you have had a hand in that."

Michael Pike, 24, was mentored by Mr Arnold for six months after he completed a personal development course run by the trust.

He said: "When I finished the course I was worried I would lose motivation and just go back to doing nothing. Steve really helped keep me focused. He always had good ideas and seemed to really believe in me."

The Prince's Trust helped more than 3,000 disadvantaged young people in the South East last year and works with 14 to 30-year-olds who have struggled to find a place in society for a number of reasons.



GENERATION GAME: Mentoring is extremely rewarding for volunteers and young people alike

## How to stop new superbug strain



CASES of a new strain of the superbug MRSA – affecting young adults and children rather than the elderly in hospital – have increased.

But experts say the number of cases is still very small and there is no cause for panic – but we should all take extra care when it comes to hygiene.

A University of Kent student died after contracting a Pantom-Valentine Leukocidin (PVL) infection last year.

PVL is a toxic substance produced by some strains of MRSA, the methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus bacterium that usually infects severely ill patients in hospitals.

Young adults and children generally contract PVL in the community.

Dr Mathi Chandrakumar, director of the Kent Health Protection Unit, said: "It can affect anyone but particularly children and young adults because they have close contact with each other."

### Rare

The latest HPA figures show there were 224 cases of PVL in 2005, rising to 496 in 2006.

In Kent, PVL infections are rare. Medway NHS Foundation Trust said there had been one case last year and that the patient had fully recovered.

Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust reported the same and East Kent NHS Hospitals Trust said it had never dealt with a case of the infection.

Dr Chandrakumar said parents should not worry because the infection remains rare.

KOS Media has been running a campaign aimed at raising awareness about the importance of hand hygiene in combating infections such as MRSA and Clostridium difficile.

Although the risk of catching PVL-MRSA is small the HPA recommends people take simple precautions to protect themselves including hand washing and regular showering/bathing.

For more information, go to [www.hpa.org.uk](http://www.hpa.org.uk).

## Have your say on air travel from Kent and win a holiday

KENT International Airport is undertaking a major public survey to measure the demand for the airport near Ramsgate.

The site, which is currently able to handle 800,000 passengers a year, on one of the UK's longest runways.

The survey is being run with KOS Media's [www.kentnews.co.uk](http://www.kentnews.co.uk) and all those taking part stand a chance of winning a free holiday in Majorca. Kent Escapes is offering flights, transfers and half-board accommodation for two adults.

Matt Clarke, chief executive of Kent International Airport, said he is confident the results of the survey will back up their own research showing increased demand for flights from the Manston site.

He said: "This is an opportunity for the

Kent public to let us know how they would like to use the airport in the future and in particular the places they would want to fly to, the frequency of their air travel and how much they currently spend on travel."

The survey coincides with reports that BAA's ownership of seven UK airports, "may not be serving well the interests of either airlines or passengers", according to the findings of the Competition Commission.

The final report, due to be published in August, could force Spanish-owned BAA to sell one or more of its airports.

BAA took ownership of Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted more than two decades ago to make sure there would be enough airport capacity in the South East.

According to the commission, there is still a

shortage of capacity. Mr Clarke agreed, and argued that Manston was ready-made to offer the extra space needed.

He added: "The lack of runway capacity in the South East is often raised as a potential restriction to the economic growth of the region."

"At Kent International Airport we already have a runway that is well placed to serve passenger and freight airlines – Kent's Airport is ready to go right now and already hosting daily 747 flights."

"It is becoming very clear that Kent International Airport will play a significant part in the South East's future network of airports which will directly benefit the district and county's economies creating thousands of new jobs."

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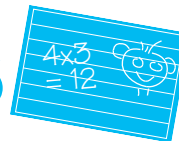
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## BREAK TIME



**VIBRANT:** Borden pupils feed Spanish pigeons

## Language trips off more tongues

GLOBE-trotting pupils at Borden Grammar School have put their language skills to the test in the past few weeks, visiting France and Spain as part of their studies.

A 58-strong year ten group headed to the Catalan capital of Barcelona, taking in as much as they could of the historic and vibrant city.

Meanwhile, a group of sixth form students headed to the south of France, visiting their French counterparts at their school.

Another class enjoyed a trek to less sunny and glamorous Derbyshire.

The 16- to 18-year-olds braved the cold to visit an outdoor centre, at which they camped and trekked in icy temperatures.

The trip has a positive side, however, with the youngsters able to use their new-found sub-zero training skills in India this summer.

The teenagers will trek across the Himalayas, visit a school in Jaipur and take in some of the historical sites.

Deputy headteacher Laurel Townend said: "We are very fortunate in having a team of staff who work hard to give students a range of exciting experiences outside the classroom."

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# Now great primary gets official approval

■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

PARENTS' praise of Sheldwich Primary School, which has 221 pupils, has been backed by Ofsted inspectors, who rated the school as 'good' in their latest report.

The thoughts of three delighted dads were included in the in-depth report, with one saying: "Sheldwich is a well-oiled ship, everyone works hard and well together."

A second said: "There has not been a single day my child has not wanted to go to school," and another added, "this school serves my children admirably."

Lead inspector Helen Hutchings agreed with their comments, rating the school's overall effectiveness as level two 'good'.

In her report Mrs Hutchings wrote of the Lees Court Road, Faversham, school: "Sheldwich Primary School is a good school, which is valued by the overwhelming majority of parents."

"Many refer to the school's welcoming ethos and of the support for 'the whole child', illustrated, for example, by the way in which pupils joining the school with little English are integrated quickly."

"The school's data shows that pupils are making good progress in all year groups."

"Pupils are on course to achieve significantly higher standards in the national tests than in recent years and exceed the challenging targets the school has set for its performance."

The report heaped praise on the school's good leadership and management, reflected in the speed with which the new staff team has evaluated the

school's performance and decided on the priorities that will have the greatest impact on improving pupils' achievement.

Staff were also said to show real excitement about learning how to improve further from one another.

Teaching overall was said to be good, challenging the pupils who know they are always expected to do their best.

The curriculum is described as meeting pupils' needs and interests well, while a good range of other enrichment and extra-curricular activities were thought



to complement learning in lessons and enhance pupils' personal development well.

Students' behavior is outstanding and their relationships with one another and with adults are friendly and respectful.

Headteacher Sarah Garrett said: "I'm so pleased with the Ofsted report. Everyone's worked so, so hard for this."

"I'm particularly pleased the children have been recognised for their outstanding behaviour and attitudes towards healthy lifestyles."

"The parents' assessment made me happy, it's great to know how highly they view the school."

"Everybody's working great guns here. Hopefully we can now move from 'good' to 'outstanding'."



**ASPIRATIONS:** Sheldwich Primary School received a good rating in its Ofsted report, which said it had a welcoming ethos

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## No fake laughter, irrit8 them by walking on by

THERE are many things in life which one can become irrationally irritated by.

The cost of petrol, southern Manchester United fans, people who write in text-speak, and pretty much any comedy show on ITV1 are fine examples.

Oh, and people who put blue lights under their car and then hang around car parks comparing exhausts. Paper cuts, those BT adverts, cups of tea with the tea bag left in and the list could go on. Yet perhaps the biggest, the reigning champion, the undisputed heavyweight irritation of all time is (drum roll please)...the attention seeker.

We all know them, and those of us foolish enough to entertain them and encourage their behaviour are as guilty as the attention seeker themselves.

So what makes this scourge of society and how do you spot them? The answer is simple. They will be the ones in your office, home or school, who suddenly loudly say something for

no good reason other than to get heads to turn in their direction.

Their voice volume is always fixed as 'slightly too loud' and everything they say is designed to be heard by a wider audience.

They think street theatre is good entertainment, and that the world's most pointless pursuit - I refer, of course, to juggling - is a worthy past-time and one worth learning.

They will be the one with the loud fake laugh and given any public event the one who will go into overdrive in a bid to be the centre of attention. All dancing will be over the top, and karaoke evenings embraced as if Simon Cowell himself were sitting before them. They won't necessarily be any good, but they'll perform as though Madonna had consumed their spirit.

Every story they tell will be embellished. Brushes with celebrity will be enhanced beyond recognition or simply made up so they can bask in the reflected glory.

Granted, you could say every TV, sport and music personality are the worst offenders. But

at least they bring something to the party. They do entertain rather than just make you want to shove the nearest fridge in their face.

But don't assume loudness is the only symptom. In fact, one of the worst offenders are a peculiar breed who attention seek by doing nothing.

They are the ones who will stand on our streets, often dressed head to toe in silver, and pretend to be a human statue. They want people to praise them for doing nothing. Worse still, they expect coins thrust in their direction. There are people dying in this world who could probably do with the cash more, should you have it spare.

If you see them you MUST walk on by. Do not even stand there and mutter expletives under your breath. Just ignore them. Starve them of the attention, and, you never know they may just go away. We can but hope.

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## WOMEN'S SPOTLIGHT

### MISSING YOU

There's a good family, good job, friends and looking for a good laugh. I'm 25 and would love to meet you. Box 893329

### NOT AFRAID OF HARD WORK?

Lively female, 26, 5'10", brown hair, green eyes, size 10, single mum, enjoys most things, seeks genuine, laid-back guy, for fun, friendship and more. Box 428555

### TAKE ME OUT

Fun, friendly female, nearly 30, petite with dark hair, bored of being single, seeking someone to take me out and show me a good time. Box 893329

### TALK YOUR MUSCLES PLEASE!

Single mum of two, 29, bubbly, bright, 5'10", brown hair, green eyes, size 14 and curvy, seeking tall, muscular, outgoing guy for socialising and more. Box 438300

### SCOUSE PARTY!

Lovely scouse female, 29, 5'11", brown hair, blue eyes, fantastic SOH, after some fun and laughs, so if that's you let me know. Box 438304

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### LADY MADONNA

Single Mum of 2, 35, great SOH, works full time, seeking male with GSOH, fun-loving and romantic, for possible relationship. Box 438417

### UNDER THE BOARDWALK

Black female, 32, 5'8", likes cooking, reading, going out, WLTW a nice man 34-50, downearth and fun to be with, to find out more. Box 438555

### EXPRESSLY YOURS

31yo Chinese girl, 5'4", slim, no children, seeking tall, white, loving, caring, all-Asian male for serious relationship. Box 438931

### MY CHERYL AMOUR!

Hi I'm Cheryl, 31, 5'10", blonde, size 10, have 2 girls, I like walking, the gym and socialising, seeking a similar male for potential partnership. Box 437744

### ALL IN GOOD TIME

Single Mum, 30, 5'10", blonde, pink hair, black hair, likes watching football, shopping, travel, seeking tall, white, loving male 34-47 for LTR. Box 437776

### ARE YOU MR RIGHT?

Single Mum, 30, 5'10", short brown hair, petite, loves pubs, clubs, eating out, nights in, seeking Mr Right for friendship, maybe more. Box 437895

### NOT PICKY!

Upbeat girl, 31, bored silly and just looking for friends to go out and have a laugh with, nothing else. Preferably students in the Canterbury. Box 895165

### LIVE, LAUGH & LOVE

Lively, attractive female, 32, 5'5", looking to meet that someone special to share life, laughter and love. Box 429124

### EQUESTRIAN OF SPORI!

Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013

### TAKE ME OUT

Single Mum, 32, cuddly larger lady, 5'8", dark brown hair, seeking someone to have fun, a dance, some drinks, meals and more with. Box 438941

### THE GENTLE LADY

Single Mum of 2, 36, great SOH, works full time, seeking male with GSOH, 36, enjoys many things - going out, staying in, seeking a nice, genuine guy for lots of fun. Box 437913

### PRETTY WOMAN WANTS HER RICHARD GERE

I'm 37, 5'8", mousey long hair, grey eyes, love to go out, bubbly lady, love pubs, clubs, 34-50, downearth and fun to be with, to find out more. Box 438555

### SEIZE THE DAY

Loving female, 36, 5'8", brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeking genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

### DON'T PASS ME BY

Cute, single mum of 4, 38yrs old, Kent based, into most things, looking for friendship or possibly romance. Box 897985

### READ ME!!

Lovely single Mum, 38, 5'4", blonde, slim, loves socialising, good fun and chatty, WLTW similar male for fun and laughter, maybe leading to LTR. Box 372889

### AM MANDY

Andy, 38, lovely brunette, petite and slim, very tactile and bubbly, professional, am mum, WLTW romantic, 38yrs old. Box 438329

### YOUNG-AT-HEART

Attractive 38y old female, dark brown hair, blue eyes, curvy physique, likes going out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks loving, fun male, for friendship/relationship. Box 901893

### NEVER SAY NEVER

Decent 36y old female, medium build, fair hair, 5'6", likes cinema, eating & laughing, love life, seeks like-minded male, 36-40, for friendship first. Box 796964

### NO REGRETS

Bubbly, separated female, 40, slim, love meeting new people and enjoying life, looking for an understanding man for happiness. Box 895246

### YOU'LL SMILE IF YOU DIAL

Bubbly 40y old female, enjoys beaches, pubs, clubs, WLTW a like-minded, caring male to share fun times with. Box 438102

### RESTORE MY FAITH

Hi, I'm 41, a single Mum, professional, Christian, lacking confidence and looking to meet someone to share my life with - be there for me. Box 438949

### ROUND TWO

41y old female, separated with 3 children, medium build, dark hair, seeking a male to share life with again who enjoys swimming, cinema, music and holidays! Box 432638

### FOREVER YOURS

I'm Caroline, 42, single mum, likes having fun, eating out, white bears, swimming, looking for someone for something meaningful. Box 430952

### TAKE A CHANCE

Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414159

### ON THE WINGS OF LOVE

Tall, outgoing lady, 43, large build, newly settled in Kent, needs to spread her wings and meet a nice chap! Let's chat. Box 895908

### ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE

Fun-loving, affectionate brunette, 43, size 12, N/S, separated amicably with 2 lovely, enjoys keeping fit. Seeking good-looking, slim, fit, romantic male. Box 814572

### AS NICE AS CAN BE!

44y old female, dark hair, brown eyes, 5'8", fun-loving, love socialising, cinema, chilling out, seeking a similar male to fall in love with. Box 438985

### IT'S WHAT YOU MAKE OF IT!

44y old female, blonde hair, 5'8", slim, easygoing, enjoy many things in life, looking for someone similar out there to enjoy life with. Box 438910

### READ ALL ABOUT IT

Petite, sincere woman, 44, wavy blonde hair, blue eyes, size 10, loves beach walks, animals, DIY, evening socialising, WLTW N/S man to share things with. Box 429682

### MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE?

One woman, 45, no kids, one life, honest, warm and kind. Are you tall, honest, single, motivated, and generous? If so, contact me. Box 318163

### DON'T PASS ME BY

Friendly, bubbly, fun-loving woman, 45, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, pubs, eating, eating out, own home/car, smoker, looking for honest man 44-55, who enjoys life. Box 823441

### ON PLATE

Caring, honest 49y old female, 5'2", eyes of blue, redhead. Likes cinema, theatre, walking, WLTW male for fun and friendship. Box 895922

### SOFA SO GOOD!

Sally, 46y old woman, small and slim, brown hair with hazel eyes, likes music, films, animals, days out and snuggling on the sofa. Box 893566

### SHINE A LIGHT ON ME

Hi, I'm Dawn, 47, quite shy and reserved, looking for someone special. I'm 5'6", blonde hair, blue eyes, slim, active, have one dog, full time. Box 438795

### ALONG THE SHORE

Fun loving 49y old female, I enjoy wine and dining, romantic, WLTW handsome, caring, adventurous man, 45-50. Box 439554

### HUNK SUGHT

44y old female, blonde, medium build, likes 4x4s, the gym, quad-biking, a glass of wine, cinema, evening socialising, WLTW sincere youngish guy for friendship/companionship and who knows. Box 894117

### LOVE CANNOT BE BOUGHT

Happy, fit, youthful 48y old single mum, OHAK, very good sense of humour. Likes all the normal social things. Very honest. Seeking someone, stable, solvent man. Box 896929

### JUST IMAGINE

Petite brunette, bubbly and friendly, 40y old, blonde hair, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, most things. With genuine male to see where life takes us. Box 893562

### PUT SPARK INTO LIFE

Happy, attractive female, 39, 5'8", N/S living in the country near Hythe, seeks gentleman of similar disposition and means. Box 897922

### GET BACK TO LIFE

Hi, I'm kind, caring, attractive lady, 53y old, 5'11", with 2 children, love tennis and pubs, walking, WLTW a gent from any background and of any interests for potential relationship. Box 439993

### ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT?

Lady, bubbly and affectionate, attractive 51y, dark hair, enjoys cinema, in love animals, seeking a like-minded gent for happiness. Box 433585

### A STROLL IN THE GARDEN

31y old young female, separated 2 grown-up children, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes gardening, reading, travelling, seeking a nice gent for company and perhaps more. Box 439670

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### INDEPENDENT WOMAN

Bright, bubbly lady, 52, 5'4", blonde hair, enjoys recently divorced, own home and car, enjoys cinema, eating out, drinks, looking for companionship and friendship. Box 419966

### LIKES THE NICE

Divorced female, 50s, 5'4", own home, great job and friends, likes to keep fit, hobbies include shopping, cooking, dining out, theatre/cinema, holidays, seeking friendship and more. Box 434901

### ALL THAT I NEED

Young-looking, slim, attractive female, 48, fun-loving & outgoing, N/S, GSOH, love music, holidays, going out & staying in, seeks similar man, 42-50. Aylesford. Box 428633

### ENTERTAIN ME

49y old female, medium build, blonde, curly short, seeking tall, confident, sensual guy for regular wine, dining, love and laughter, honest, genuine and loving. Box 438654

### IT'S IN THE AIR

Lovely female, 49, divorced, 5'10", shoulder-length blonde hair, green eyes, size 16, likes dining out, staying in, walks in the country, seeking LTR with similar male. Box 437729

### SHE'S THE ONE!

Young female, 48, medium build, 5'10", dark hair, blue eyes, GSOH, very active, likes clubs and dining out, seeks someone with similar interests. Box 439768

### DIG DEEPER

Genuine, friendly female, 49, likes walks, gardening, nights out, seeking genuine, friendly male, 45-55. Dover. Box 434441

### HERE WE GO

Young female, 50, 5'10", slim, bubbly, outgoing, GSOH, loves animals, walks, eating out, nights in with wine, seeks genuine male 45-55 for friendship & more. Box 438607

### BRIGHTON UP MY WORLD

Loving and loyal 50y old female, GSOH, enjoys walking, countryside, cinema, theatre, pubs, restaurants, music, travel, seeks sincere and loving male between 46-56 for friendship. Box 409274

### ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK

Loving, lively, cuddly female, 50, 5'8", loves rock music, walking, films, WLTW easygoing male for uncomplicated relationship, good times. Box 894299

### SEEKING MR RIGHT

I'm Karen, 51, romantic, blonde-eyed, medium build, VSOH, considerate, like keeping fit, 5'10", nights out, bowling, tennis, lots of sports, seeking male with similar interests. Box 318163

### WHITESTAR WONDERLAND

I'm Vette, 50, separated, blonde hair/eyes, size 12, 5'2", likes cinema, meals and drinks out, reading, walks, looking for male, 40-60, for friendship. Box 420180

### ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN

36y old female, blonde, love tennis and pubs, walks, travelling, WLTW a gent from any background and of any interests for potential relationship. Box 439993

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### PLANT THE SEEDS

Classy intelligent, divorced, attractive lady, 59, slim & active; enjoys travel, walking, holidays, sport, gardening. WLTW sincere, intelligent gentleman initially for friendship, maybe more. Box 910138

### THE MOST OF LIFE

N/S female, 59, grey hair, blue eyes, 5'10", enjoys most things in life still works, WLTW someone for friendship and companionship, perhaps more. Box 439570

### WALK THE WALK

HER Nick, athletic build, slim, 5'11", brown hair/eyes, love for fun, friendship and more. Looking for fun, friendly, walks, beaches. Box 439213

### THE LOOK OF LOVE

Steve, 34, 5'10", short dark hair, slim, good-looking, GSOH, likes most things; music, sports, cinema, seeking a similar male, 25-35, for a possible relationship. Box 439773

### DON'T PASS ME BY

Young 61y old, 5'3", medium build, brown hair/eyes, very happy-go-lucky, likes dancing, walks, eating out. I'm very adaptable, looking for LTR. Margate. Box 434424

### LADY IN WAITING

Caring, loyal and young-at-heart lady, 65, 5'10", blonde hair, looking for someone nice, friendly, who likes eating out, restaurants, holidays, for company. Box 899422

### FRESH AIR

Smart, attractive, bubbly blonde, 71, medium build, N/S, own house, GSOH, loves on coast, enjoys most things, WLTW smart gentleman for friendship, maybe more. Box 438147

### HAND IN HAND

Dorothy, 72, young-at-heart, blonde, slim, likes dancing, meals out, having fun and socialising, seeking a gent with similar interests for companionship and more. Box 439868

### ARE YOU MISS RIGHT?

Hello, I'm 36, 5'11", with brown eyes, love the gym, travelling, general good times, seeking an honest friendship and possibly more with the right lady. Box 439917

### SECURITY AND WARMTH

I'm 35, 6'1", have a beautiful little girl, very honest, caring, looking for someone I can love and trust and make a new life with. Box 898178

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## TALK TIME

### CHRISTINE GOODWIN

The photographer, who runs a business with her partner in Conyer, talks about working for Penthouse, custom built bikes and model behaviour.



#### Tell us a little about yourself.

I'm a female photographer, have two teenage kids and a hunger for action. I've studied and have always been interested in art photography. My ambition is to have my work published on the cover of Rolling Stone magazine, it would be living proof that you have made it as a respected photographer. Only the best have shined there before.

#### What is the most extravagant or unusual thing you have photographed?

I guess it must be some of the custom built bikes I photographed during Bike Week in Daytona. Some of them don't look like bikes but futuristic spaceships. Also some are embellished with true artwork which is a feast for the eye. It was very exciting to capture all these unusual bikes in different forms and shapes, and create your own version of their artistic vision.

#### Tell us something that people don't tend to know about you.

My very first job when I left school was as a photographer for Penthouse. It sounds like a glamorous job and to a certain extent it was. But then you had the models and they were bad news. They usually arrived with a 300-page contract of do's and don'ts. For instance some of them didn't want to be shot from a certain angle. Why be a model if half of your body can't be photographed? Some shoots took more than eight hours just to get them happy with what you were doing. Tough job!

## YOUR LETTERS



### Dithering doesn't inspire confidence

Well how long does it take to act if you are involved in running a local authority?

Last week you reported Swale has spent at least £320,000 in getting rid of the council's chief executive Mark Bilsborough – and that he had been at home on full pay for 16 months earning an annual salary of £100,000.

If our local authority bosses wanted to dismiss him – as they evidently did – why wait so long?

So-called gardening leave is a farce. All it means is someone sits at home while their bank balance gets topped up in an extremely substantial way at taxpayers' expense.

Such a way to operate not only shows a lack of decision making and confidence in ability – it is also a colossal waste of money.

None of these failings are likely to go any way towards inspiring confidence in Swale council.

Michael Manson  
Sheerness

### Some explaining needs to be done

It's OK for some isn't it? Having been on gardening leave for 16



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months on full pay, he now gets a £30,000 pay off too?  
Mark Bilsborough must be

laughing all the way to the bank. Perhaps those involved in appointing him in the first

place have some pretty awkward times ahead too when it comes to explaining how much taxpayers' money has been lost in this whole sorry affair?

Mr T Howard  
Via email

## Council acted like kids in a playground

The story about the massively paid council boss who has now gone shows just how childish the people running our services are.

Allegations of bullying, people ganging up on each other, swearing and little jealousies are more at home in the playground than they are in the august surroundings of Swale council's offices.

That – together with the huge amounts of money involved – does absolutely nothing for the reputation of our local authority.

Joanna Day  
Faversham

## Let's hope they've learnt from this

I don't know about anyone else, but I for one will be pleased to finally see an end to the constant stories in the newspapers about Mark Bilsborough.

It was a mistake and a very costly one at that. Here's hoping lessons have been learned.

P Humphries  
Faversham

## Interesting art will be welcomed back

Good to see the scarecrows are coming back (Return of the scarecrows, Yourswale, April 30) and the artist has not been put off by the attacks on them by

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vandals in recent years.

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Linda Harrison  
Faversham

## Today's music scene is better than ever

I was among the lucky ones who received a pair of tickets to Radio 1's Big Weekend in Maidstone and am looking forward to watching the likes of Madonna on the big stage.

However, at 35, it drew to my attention just how good the array of live music is in Kent this summer.

When I was growing up as a teenager venues were few and far between and there were certainly none of the outdoor events which there are now.

There's the Hop Farm Neil Young/Primal Scream show, the Big Weekend and ZooThousand and Eight at Port Lympne.

Without wishing to sound like an old codger, the kids of today have never had it so good!

Chris Harris  
Via email

## How do residents feel about music?

Clever idea you reported on last week about the Co-op store in Forbes Road playing classical music to deter groups of youngsters hanging around.

However, I'd be interested in finding out the views of those living nearby and having to put up with the noise to see if they are quite so pleased!

F Gilbey  
Via email



## Uncool pop would probably work better

I can understand the thinking behind playing some of the great composers to get rid of teenagers, as you reported last week, but surely playing cheesy pop songs would be a better alternative?

After all, what self-respecting teenager would like to hear Chesney Hawkes, Rick Astley or Black Lace while they're trying to chat up a girl?

Glen Smith  
Faversham

## Violent game should not be encouraged

I don't think a newspaper which claims a family audience should be publicising the latest horrible video



game – Grand Theft Auto IV. From what I understand the game glorifies violence and simply encourages youngsters to replicate what they do on the screen in real life.

Mrs I Potter  
Via email

## Complaints are an insult to our young

What's all this fuss about the Grand Theft Auto IV game launched last week?

It's just a game and those who go on about it promoting violence should just lighten up.

Am I wrong or did people now in their 40s and 50s play games of 'war' when they were young – and these would have involved actually fighting 'the enemy' rather than just pushing a few buttons?

People seem determined to ruin any enjoyment which the younger generation has available to it and insult them even further by suggesting they have no method of distinguishing fantasy activities from reality.

Jake Merryweather  
Via email

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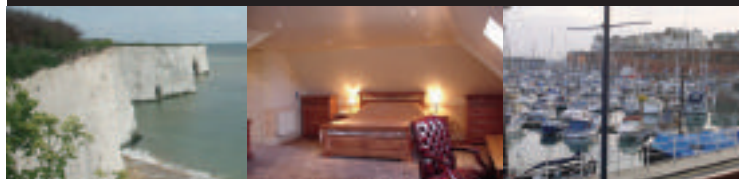


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Last autumn saw the release of the 25th anniversary version of Jackson's record-breaking album Thriller. The new updated version includes contributions by contemporary artists such as Fergie, Kanye West and Akon, and modern musicians continue to reflect the influence of this iconic superstar.

Jackson, who will celebrate his 50th birthday this year, was the seventh of nine children and he began his showbiz career by joining the Jackson Five at the age of 11.

He was soon sharing lead vocals with brother Jermaine and the group set a record when their first four singles all reached number one in the US Billboard Hot 100. Though they became extremely successful, the Jacksons' childhoods are believed to have been dominated by the strict attentions of their father Joseph.

Jackson went on to begin a staggeringly successful solo career, his 1979



release Off The Wall becoming the first ever album to feature four Top 10 hits and going platinum seven times over.

Then in 1982 he released what would become the world's biggest selling album of all time. Sales figures vary depending on the source, but to date Thriller is believed to have sold about 65 million copies. It also prompted what many consider to be the real birth of the music video, with the 13-minute accompanying film still popular today.

Jackson continued to release highly successful albums and singles, but as the years went on his increasingly bizarre personal life began to overshadow his remarkable talent.

During the 1980s his skin began to visibly lighten, causing speculation that he was bleaching his skin, but he was later diagnosed with vitiligo and lupus. Plastic surgery and weight loss have also helped make him virtually unrecognisable as the young man from the Jackson Five.

He was briefly married to Elvis Presley's daughter Lisa Marie in the mid-90s. Then in 1996 he married nurse Deborah Jeanne Rowe, with whom he had two children, but they divorced three years later.

His friendships with young boys, mostly conducted at his Neverland ranch, have also caused controversy. A number of accusations of child molestation have been made against Jackson, most recently leading to his trial and subsequent acquittal in 2005.

But however bizarre Jackson's private life may become, his outstanding legacy as an unforgettable musical force will always be celebrated.

The show starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £32.50/£16.25. Call the box office on 01322 220000 or book online at [www.orchardtheatre.co.uk](http://www.orchardtheatre.co.uk).

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## CANTERBURY ACOUSTIC



Friday, May 9  
Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury

TWO exciting talents will be taking part in a concert arranged by new promotions company Canterbury Acoustic.

Dan Arborise, described as 'John Martyn meets Nick Drake for the 21st century', will be bringing his evocative songs and multi-layered acoustic instrumentals to the Gulbenkian Theatre this week.

His tender and haunting voice is the perfect match for his emotive and rhythmic guitar-picking, offering an unforgettable experience.

Also on the bill is Ana Silvera, a pianist, guitarist and singer/songwriter who was soloing with English National Opera by the time she was in her teens.

She has set about defining a unique song-writing style of the tender, poetic order. Silvera is accompanied on the double bass and cello by Jon Cottle.

Canterbury Acoustic was



set up in response to the increasing interest in acoustic music. Find out more online at [www.myspace.com/canterburyacoustic](http://www.myspace.com/canterburyacoustic).

The concert starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £12/£8. Call the box office on 01227 769075.

Book online at [www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk](http://www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk).

## MY FIRST TOOTH



Friday, May 9  
Orange Street Music Venue, Canterbury

MUSICAL duo My First Tooth are just waiting to be discovered by music lovers in Canterbury.

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Among their own favourite artists they list The Eels, Johnny Cash, Smashing Pumpkins, Counting Crows, Leonard Cohen and Sigur Ros.

To find out more about the band, visit [www.myspace.com/myfirsttooth](http://www.myspace.com/myfirsttooth).

Support will be provided by Canterbury-based acoustic artist Jon Woode, who produces folk and alternative music.

Hear his songs and find out more at [www.myspace.com/jonwoode](http://www.myspace.com/jonwoode).

The gig starts at 8pm. Find more at [www.orangestreetmusic.com](http://www.orangestreetmusic.com) or call 01227 760801.

## CELEBRATING LINDA SMITH



Saturday, May 10  
Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury

THE legacy of an acclaimed comedian and writer is explored in the stage show Celebrating Linda Smith.

She was born in Erith and began her career in a professional touring theatre company in the early 80s, but later discovered a talent for stand-up comedy.

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She was voted Wittiest Person by a poll of Radio 4 listeners and won new fans with appearances on TV shows such as Mock The Week, QI, Room 101 and Have I Got News For You.

Smith sadly died of ovarian cancer in 2006 at the age of 48. Her partner Warren Lakin will be joined on stage by actors Kate Rutter and Mike McCarthy to pay tribute to Smith through a variety of stand-up routines, monologues and sketches.

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## SWALE LEISURE

### Annual bike ride to help raise funds for charities

THE 14th Annual Faversham Bike Ride, held to raise money for local charities, will take place on Sunday, May 11.

The circular 10-mile route starts and finishes at the Recreation Ground, at 11am. There will also be a special circuit for young cyclists at the ground.

A number of prizes and awards will be on offer.

For details call 01795 535267 or email [favershambikeride@btinternet.com](mailto:favershambikeride@btinternet.com).

### Folk club to bring poet to account at meeting

POET and singer Les Barker will be performing at Faversham Folk Club next week.

Originally from Manchester, Barker was an accountant before he discovered a talent for comedy poems and parodies. He has written 77 books and created a number of folk hero characters, including Jason and the Arguments and Cosmo the Fairly Accurate Knife Thrower.

The gig will be held at the Chimney Boy in Preston Street at 8.30pm on Wednesday, May 14. Tickets cost £6 or £5 for club members. For details visit [www.favershamfolkclub.net](http://www.favershamfolkclub.net).

### Derek & Friends to jazz up your evening at inn

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### Community centre to host Nashville musician

RENNOWED singer, musician and producer Clive Gregson will be performing in Whitstable on Saturday, May 10.

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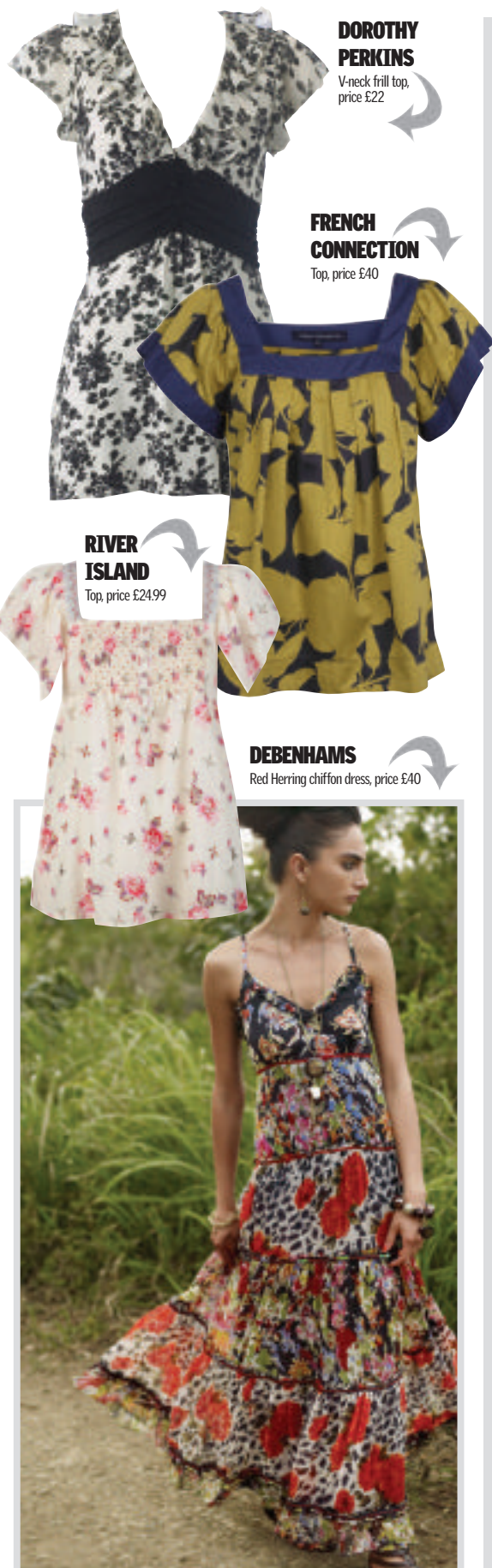
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## Hate to say I told you so but line-up's great

BY SIMON ROBINSON

SWEDISH rockers The Hives are among the latest bands to be confirmed as playing at Zoo8 festival.

The Scandinavian showmen – famed for hits such as Hate To Say I Told You So, Die Alright and Tick Tick Boom – will headline the main stage on Sunday, July 6, bringing the inaugural three-day to a close.

Other bands signed up are hardcore punk outfit Gallows, Minus the Bear and Flogging Molly. Zoo Thousand director Matt Dice said: "It's taken months of negotiations and sleepless nights to get to this stage – but it's all worth it when things come together and you see what a great line-up we've got."

### Big names

Among the other big name acts to play at the three day Port Lympne festival are covers star Mark Ronson, grime rapper Dizzee Rascal and rock 'n' rollers The Cribs, British Sea Power and The Young Knives.

Gallows will play a Zoo8 warm-up show at the Tap 'n' Tin in Chatham on Saturday, May 10. The cult venue will have its own stage across the festival.

Tap 'n' Tin events manager Chris Pritchard said he was looking forward to the festival, saying: "Gallows are just the tip of the iceberg. We've got top acts across the bill over the weekend, meaning our headliners will be supported by some of the best names around."

Zoo8 takes place at the Hythe zoo from Friday to Sunday, July 4-6, and boasts a capacity crowd of 20,000.

Weekend tickets cost £99 and include camping. Day tickets cost £45.

For details see [www.zoothousand.com](http://www.zoothousand.com).



**HEADLINERS:** The Hives will close the festival, Gallows will play a warm up gig at the Tap 'n' Tin

• **THE BILL:** Friday: Mark Ronson and the Version Players, Dizzee Rascal, Little Man Tate, Dan Le Sac vs Scroobius Pip, Gallows, Lethal Bizzle, Lupen Crook. Saturday: The Cribs, Ash, British Sea Power, Roni Size / Reprazent, Underground Heroes, Kid Harpoon, Chas 'n' Dave. Sunday: The Hives, Athlete, The Holloways, Pete and the Pirates, Funeral For a Friend, Flogging Molly, Does It Offend You, Yeah?



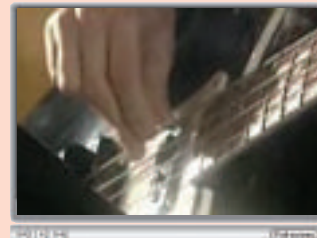
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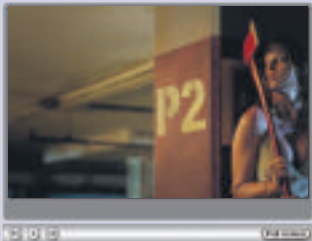
Based upon Marvel's iconic superhero, Iron Man tells the story of Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr), a billionaire industrialist and inventor who is kidnapped and forced to build a devastating weapon. Following a life-threatening accident Stark injects his nervous system with a techno-organic virus to save his life.

### MADE OF HONOUR (12A)



Made of Honour revolves around Tom (Patrick Dempsey) and Hannah (Michelle Monaghan), who have been friends for 10 years. While Hannah has always been interested in Tom, he has always treated her as a friend. He's a serial dater, while she wants marriage, she just hasn't found Mr Right...yet.

### P2 (18)



Angela Bridges (Rachel Nichols), a young executive, works late before she leaves for a family party. When she gets down to the parking garage, she discovers her car won't start. The garage is deserted and her cell phone does not work. When Thomas (Wes Bentley), a security guard, offers to help, Angela nervously accepts his gesture of good will.

# Walking to work from the office

BY SARAH O'MEARA

I DON'T even notice Mackenzie Crook until he tries to slide past my chair, he is so unassuming. The actor who made his name as Gareth in *The Office* apologises needlessly and takes his seat with a tentative smile.

Perhaps it is the 10 years he spent on the comedy circuit trying to break into acting – "I only meant to do it for two or three" – or the fact that he sees himself as an ordinary dad living in north London – "my daughter's three months old and my son is five – but Crook doesn't seem to have let his time hanging out with Johnny Depp while filming *Pirates Of The Caribbean* go to his head.

Here to discuss his latest film, *Three And Out*, about a Tube driver who takes desperate measures to escape his miserable life, once he starts talking, there's no mistaking David Brent's hollow-eyed, war-obsessed right-hand man.

Despite his new-found fame, the 36-year-old, who was born in Maidstone and grew up in Dartford, says he still finds descriptions of his physical appearance, such as 'cadaverous', rather unfair.

"I know I'm thin and have bags under my eyes, but that means corpse-like. But that's the look that's got me most of the parts I've played."

And as if aware that complaining about his looks is, at best, ridiculous, the actor grins. Since *The Office*, Crook has been embraced by Hollywood. Given a recurring role as Ragetti in the *Pirates of the Caribbean* trilogy, which has grossed almost \$3 billion, he's also worked with Johnny Depp in *Finding Neverland* and Matt Damon in *The Brothers Grimm*.

"I feel like I'm very lucky to be working as a professional actor and don't feel I have the right to turn down a role. During *Pirates* I was away for a very long time, almost six months

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of my son's first year. Doing *Three And Out* was mostly based around north London which was ideal because I could walk to work."

In his latest film, Mackenzie plays Paul Callow, a depressed Underground train driver who wants to be a writer. After watching two people fall under his train, his workmates tell him that three 'one-unders' in a month equals instant retirement and a payout. And – on the edge of breakdown – Paul decides to find someone willing to be his third.

The movie has already been the subject of controversy. Accusing the film's makers of insensitivity, the union of train drivers protested at the premiere, arguing that suicide shouldn't be a source of comedy.

"It's a bit disappointing, I have to admit that," Crook says diplomatically. "It's not like my character enjoys running someone over and gleefully goes off to try and do it again. He is traumatised by it. It's also not what we dwell on, and not what the movie's about."

"I think when the people who are objecting go to the movie, they'll be pleasantly surprised."



**VERY LUCKY:** Mackenzie Crook spent 10 years on the comedy circuit before breaking into acting

During the film, Paul Callow has a fling with future Bond girl Gemma Arterton. Crook says for the first time he was faced with a love scene.

"Admittedly she didn't know she was a Bond girl at the time," he laughs. "That was a bonus. It was interesting that there was this romantic storyline in there, because I'm not often offered those sorts of parts."

But at the moment, everyone seems to love him. Well, apart from the train drivers' union.



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## YOUR TV REVIEW

BY TOM BETTS

**I'D DO ANYTHING**  
BBC ONE, 7.30pm, Saturday  
**BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT**  
ITV1, 8pm, Saturday

THE battle for your Saturday night attention is in full swing.

Britain's Got Talent and I'd Do Anything are the prime time beasts vying for your affection and the war is getting ugly, just ask Andrew Lloyd Webber.

On John Barrowman TV, or BBC One to give it its former title, Graham Norton is looking for a Nancy (and not for the first time, one suspects) and a boy to play Oliver Twist.

This show has attracted criticism of late, as accusers point to the notion that this is little more than an advert for Lloyd Webber's latest production, but that criticism is a bit misplaced.

Not because those who have been having a dig at the BBC for its free plugging of Lord Webber's Oliver don't have a point, but misplaced because this show is utterly hideous from start to finish.

The over enthusiastic, stage school self-satisfaction of it all seems to that.

With a cloying desperation to make it on the stage, the wannabe Nancys and Olivers strut their stuff each week as we head closer to the inevitable, overly dramatic finale in which one of each group will land a part in the West End.

If ever there was a talent contest glorified beyond all reasonable doubt then this is it.

Two weeks ago, Lloyd Webber stormed off of the set as the closing titles set in.

The reason was that the British public had picked up their telephones,



**DON'T STAY IN:** There has to be a reason to watch these talent shows but it escapes me

spent their money on the calls and disagreed with who he thought should be voted out.

How dare they?

Over on ITV1, Britain's Got Talent is also waving the talent show flag.

This is a bit like X Factor for dummies but, unlike its BBC counterpart, at least this slice of showbiz doesn't take itself too seriously.

The public remind us that we have a true mix of the bad, sad and truly mad and it's only very rarely that we see something truly worthy of the word talent.

Simon Cowell is still on fine form, dispensing ever bolder statements about how bad performers are, and ex-tabloid editor Piers Morgan also chips in with a few bombastic insults of his own.

While neither programme is worth staying in for on a Saturday, of the two BGT is at least a little endearing, not that Cowell would ever admit it.

## YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



**AQUARIUS** (Jan 21-Feb 19)

**FORGING** a partnership is an excellent idea but you may have to do all the running so swallow your pride and do what's necessary. Changes are on the horizon with regard to your home. Although you're not a big fan of change, this one will give you a tremendous emotional lift.

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**TAURUS** (Apr 21-May 21)

**THERE'S** never been a better time to get a new look. When you look good, you feel good. You could be paid handsomely for your creative work so price your creations as any professional would. Contrary to popular belief, artists can make lots of money doing what they love best.

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**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23)

**YOU'RE** bursting with energy and confidence, which helps you overcome some formidable obstacles. This is a great week to launch an exercise program or train for a race. It's best not to discuss controversial topics in mixed company or a good friendship could be torn apart.

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**SCORPIO** (Oct 24-Nov 22)

**YOU** face fierce competition in the professional arena. Fortunately, you'll be able to outperform your rivals, provided you stay healthy and rested. A good night's sleep will make all the difference between victory and defeat. A new relationship could make its way into your life.

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**PISCES** (Feb 20-Mar 20)

**YOUR** personal life is becoming a little more stable, much to your relief. It's nice to know you have people to lean on when times get tough. Don't be too stringent about the way your home should be organised. The more flexible you are, the happier your domestic situation will be.

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**GEMINI** (May 22-Jun 22)

**THERE'S** no point arguing with a stubborn relative. They are refusing to try anything new, even if it's in their best interests. Unfortunately, it won't be easy to escape their influence. You may have to devise some underhanded ways to enjoy your freedom.

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**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23)

**YOU'LL** need to resume some responsibilities this week. Fortunately, you're feeling fresh and well rested. It's important to stay in constant communication with an authority figure or your boss will think you are out of order. If a friend asks you to accompany them on a trip, accept immediately.

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**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov 23-Dec 21)

**YOU'RE** going to have to conduct yourself professionally if you're going to rise through the ranks. As much as it pains you to do so, you need to dress the part. You've been blessed with wit, intelligence, and charm. That may not be enough. It's time to prove you can play by the rules, too.

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**ARIES** (Mar 21-Apr 20)

**THE** pressure is back on over your daily responsibilities. It may be necessary to put in long hours at work, or cover for a colleague who is sick. People are extra sensitive this week. A new earning opportunity could fall in your lap. Spend the money on a romantic vacation or sporting event.

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**CANCER** (Jun 23-Jul 23)

**Joining** a group or making time for friends is good for you. You make more progress by working as a member of a team. It's possible you'll be trusted with a serious work project. This assignment won't come naturally, but it will give you some valuable skills. Forget any nagging fears.

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**LIBRA** (Sep 24-Oct 23)

**IT'S** possible you will be asked to work in obscurity. This may not sit well with you, but don't despair. It could be that this stint will lead to better things. Follow your instincts, especially at work. Money could finally be awarded to you. Put this in a retirement fund or pay some bills.

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**CAPRICORN** (Dec 22-Jan 20)

**YOUR** sex drive may go through the stratosphere this week. If you're single, make a move on someone sexy who tickles your fancy. If you already have a partner, arrange for a rendezvous. Health problems could crop up. Once this situation clears up, you'll have much more energy.

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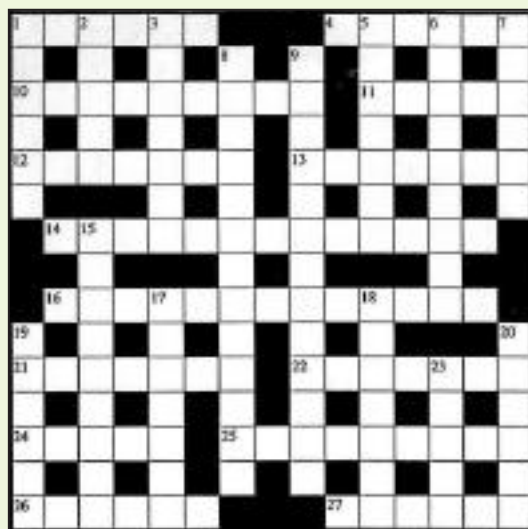
#### ACROSS

- 1 Put round a royal house (6)
- 4 Refuge for some queasy lumberjacks (6)
- 10 Restrict studies on transport (9)
- 11 Part of pound I deliberately opened (5)
- 12 Enthusiastic about car Lily wrecked (7)
- 13 One who performs public duty for policeman (7)
- 14 Annoyed having query to problem that's much discussed (5,8)
- 16 Good girl interrogating first about monocle (8-5)
- 21 Pal idly playing on this on pond (4,3)
- 22 Not well along part of coast using this compartment (7)
- 24 I believe cardinal in company (5)
- 25 Barber's shop where customers are overcharged (4-5)
- 26 Cockney man encounters on the way back respect (6)
- 27 Most strikes occur at this time (6)

#### DOWN

- 1 Select the French preserve (6)
- 2 Crescent-shaped calendar? (5)
- 3 Dead skin slashed, lice removed (7)
- 5 Pass on informally (5,2)
- 6 Sour lucid concoction was laughable (9)
- 7 New way fleet followed (6)
- 8 Pantomime bird? (9,4)
- 9 Less than one alien bringing earth from abroad (2,7,4)
- 15 High-spirited coming from blue inlet (9)
- 17 Number assisting mail-sorter in America (3,4)
- 18 Secure long talk about disease (7)
- 19 Glass plants are forced under (6)
- 20 Evergreen lady (6)
- 23 Fish born on stream (5)

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#### ACROSS

- 1 Hebrew patriarch (6)
- 4 Celestial region (6)
- 10 Communist policy-making committee (9)
- 11 Pawnbroker (5)
- 12 Redecorate (7)
- 13 Afternoon performance (7)
- 14 Two-humped mammal (8,5)
- 16 Decorative design (4,3,6)
- 21 Jester (7)
- 22 Twirl (7)
- 24 Neck injury (5)
- 25 Gradual development (9)
- 26 Six-headed monster (6)
- 27 3-D (6)

#### DOWN

- 1 Jesting (6)
- 2 Shropshire from 1974 to 1980 (5)
- 3 Sound of steps (7)
- 5 Prickly-pear (7)
- 6 Considered with surrounding circumstances (2,7)
- 7 Intelligent (6)
- 8 One watching over another (8,5)
- 9 Exchange of information (13)
- 15 Impractical (4-5)
- 17 Diver's air-tube (7)
- 18 Part of a whole (7)
- 19 Counting-frame (6)
- 20 Hut (4-2)
- 23 Rider (anag.) (5)

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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## Safari, so good for animal park

BY CHRIS BRITCHER

IT'S 5.30am and the Zimbabwean twang of the warden's voice calls through our tent to inform us tea and coffee is being served in the lodge ahead of the morning safari.

As I drag myself out of one of the two comfortable twin beds deep within the luxury canvas home on stilts in which I'm staying, I peer out over the countryside below.

A couple of giraffes lazily nibble at leaves on a tree, while wildebeest frolic as dawn break.

As I look out across the landscape I can see for miles. In fact, I can see France. And Dungeness power station – and no, my eyes were not playing tricks on me.

Billed as the only experience of its kind in the northern hemisphere, those with a penchant for animals and a little luxury can now experience the thrills of getting up close and personal with creatures more at home on the Serengeti than the wilds of East Kent.

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**UNUSUAL ATTRACTION:** It could be the Serengeti but it's really a Port Lympne safari

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The package is short and sweet – it's a one-night stay – but its ability to transport you to a world a million miles away is remarkable.

Checking in at 4pm, with a bucks fizz reception on a small decked area in the centre of the park, you and your luggage are then loaded on to a safari truck and with a group of experienced rangers – all of whom come complete with

authentic Southern Africa accents and experience of life on the plains – you are transported around the 100 acres of land, past the rhino and elephant enclosures, for the trip to your hidden retreat.

About an hour and a half later you make your way to the hilltop, where the views down across Romney Marsh and the English Channel are quite tremendous. But not as tremendous as seeing a gag-

gle of giraffes blocking the road a few yards from the tents and lodge; your accommodation for the night.

In truth, the word 'tent' doesn't actually do it justice. There's enough space to not only swing a cat but probably a pride of lions too.

Nor will you actually stay there for long. Because then it is straight down to the Lapa – the lodge where comfy sofas nestle on one side, and a dining area on the other.

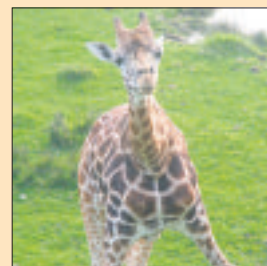
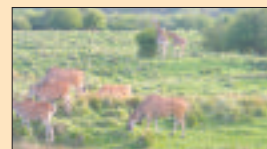
After welcoming drinks the evening meal is served around 7.30pm. And the food was quite exceptional. Take your pick from plump prawns to slices of succulent beef – it was perfect.

Bright and early the following morning you're woken and after coffee and croissants, you're back on the truck and heading off for a dawn safari.

Once back there's time for breakfast and then you are free to spend the rest of the day at the park.

OK, so health and safety regulations mean you're not going to pull up and see a lion hunting down some hapless antelope, nor is the adrenalin going to pump at the threat of elephants bearing down on you.

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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Homeowners glad to recommend builder to friends

AROUND three quarters of people living in new houses are satisfied with the standard of construction and would recommend their builder to a friend who wanted work done.

The third annual Customer Satisfaction Survey by the Home Builders Federation showed a 76 per cent approval rate on the question of quality, with 75 per cent happy to recommend whoever did the work to others.

The results were very similar to last year, with variations of just two per cent in the proportion of satisfied persons.

The survey comes after an attack on the industry as a whole by entrepreneur Eddie Shaha, who called into question standards of workmanship in an article to a magazine entitled Show Home.

This article was attacked in turn by Alan Ritchie, general secretary of UK construction workers union UCATT.

Federation chairman Stewart Baseley said: "Ensuring that customers are happy with their new homes is of crucial importance to homebuilders."

### Villages appeal to quarter of people in dream survey

A WISH list of dream homes has shown that around a quarter of people would like to live in a small village.

The traditional idea of a country dwelling full of character tops the list of respondents to the survey by insurance firm Legal and General, called Home Sweet Homes.

The survey looked at what was on offer in town and country and found the village was soaring in popularity – up to 25 per cent chose it following on from just eight per cent last year.

The number of people wanting to live in a city was nine per cent, while the countryside polled in 16 per cent.

But only 15 per cent said their home matched up to their aspirations.

Legal and General's insurance marketing director Garry Skelton said: "The survey would indicate that people are still positive about the housing market given the number of respondents who still wish to live in their dream home."



THE FUTURE: A Kent company's design for this eco-home was one of the main attractions at this year's Ideal Home Show.

## How green is our county?

■ BY NICK AMES

THE county leads the way when it comes to eco-friendly features in homes, according to a study of how green the UK's houses really are.

Solar panels, wind turbines or rainwater harvesting systems are most common in Kent – with 53 properties on the market in the county having one or more of these.

Devon came next with 52, while Hampshire (42), Surrey (36) and Somerset (34) all did well.

In the north of England the picture wasn't so good with people putting eco home improvements way down the agenda when it

comes to houses on the market.

The survey was undertaken by Globrix, an industry analyst group which is part owned by newspaper publishers News International.

It discovered that the more stable market in the South provided an equity buffer which would fund possibly expensive and optional extras.

Homes with environmentally friendly features where in short supply in the North and Midlands – where the first dip in the housing market was noticed around a year ago.

Solar panels, which use the sun's energy to heat water or warm a property, have become increasingly popular.

Turbines can generate electricity, while collecting rainwater cuts down on bills.

Other green initiatives include replacing standard light bulbs with energy-saving ones, improving insulation, low-flow showerheads which cut down on water waste.

Window tinting to reduce heat loss in winter and heat gain in summer is also becoming more popular.

But estate agents admit that they still regard the eco-friendly accessories and modifications as a luxury rather than an integral

part of the features of a property.

James Scott-Lee of Chancellors said: "I am yet to come across one (buyer) who has come back to say they are unhappy with the energy certificate for a property, or that they want a lump of money off because they are going to have to install solar panels."

Other estate agents say they feel homeowners are nervous of installing improvements for which they may not be able to recoup the cost in a resale.

Neil Chegvidden, head of residential research at industry specialists Jones Lang Lassalle said: "In a weaker market buyers, particularly at the bottom end, are just looking for value for money."

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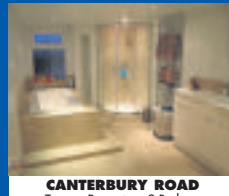
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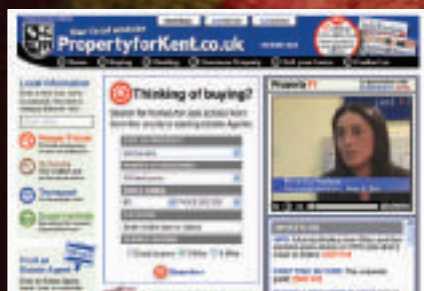


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## MOTORS NEWS



### Enjoy the chance of an escape to Italy

ROMANTICS could win a luxury holiday to Verona, Italy – top prize at this weekend's test drive event at KAP Nissan, Folkestone.

Verona, setting for Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, was chosen to reflect the luxurious spec on models such as the Micra Acenta+, Micra C+C Acenta (pictured) and Note Acenta R models, including Bluetooth phone integration, air con, electric mirrors and alloys.

KAP's Graham Furneaux said: "Motorists will fall for the Micra and Note's style, elegance and great performance. And with a chance to win a trip to one of the most romantic cities in the world, we're certain they'll find it hard to resist a visit."



### Others offer the Long Way Down

COLLEAGUES at Baileys, Canterbury, are also tempting people into test drives this weekend, but concentrating on Nissan's now formidable 4x4 range.

Early arrivals could walk away with a DVD box set of eight adventure-themed films including 'Long Way Down' – Ewan McGregor and Charley Boorman's motorcycle trek down South Africa, with two hardy Nissan Patrols as back-up.

Models on offer this weekend include a special edition Navara pick-up (pictured) with leather seats, sunroof and 'Long Way Down' flashes, badge and floor mats – from £17,995+VAT.



### Others back the bikes

CHRYSLER'S all-new seven-seat Grand Voyager has demonstrated its people and cargo-lugging powers by acting as support vehicle for the three-day/120-mile Lady Mayoress' Charity Cycle Ride from Canterbury to Arras in Northern France.

The car was supplied by Dutton Forshaw – the Chrysler Jeep Dodge dealer at Broad Oak Road, Canterbury – where dealer principal Lynne Kennard said: "This was a great event to be involved with and we had the perfect car to act as support vehicle in our new Grand Voyager."



**CONQUEST:** Citroën's new C5 has a distinctly Germanic feel to its design and advertising campaign, however the price tag it comes with is a lot more French

# Citroën's 'Touch of Klaus' turns tables on Germans

CONTROVERSY often drives successful ads, so Citroën will be happy with politically correct grumbles about the 'teutonic' launch campaign for its new C5.

It headlines with a Wagnerian TV clip complete with sword duel, busty serving girls and an ompah band – stereotyping described as "inappropriate and tasteless" by a few MPs.

But public reaction has been positive for a campaign also featuring lines like "A Touch of Klaus", "Deutsch Marque", "Smit Hot" and, for the forthcoming estate model, "Das Boot".

By now, nobody can be unaware that this quintessentially French car maker is taking on German makers at their own game.

The new C5 is still quirky, but the newcomer even looks German, apart from Citroën's new chrome 'moustache' across the bonnet rather than Audi's heavy 'goatee'.

Having caught the eye, Citroën has been careful not to disappoint, with a Germanic quality about the feel of the car, although prices start from a non-Audi £16,995.

## ROAD TEST CITROËN C5

BY STEVE LOADER

### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
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This has been made possible by conventional steel suspension on cheaper versions, with Citroën's trademark air-springing used higher up the range. Unfortunately, I was unable to try the former since the car loaned by Wilmoths of Ashford was an upmarket Exclusive with the hydro-pneumatic layout.

For the moment, this is the preferred choice anyway according to Wilmoths' manager John Ives, although he predicted more sales with the conventional layout as more people realise the new C5's blend of value and style.

I cannot argue with his confidence; looking beyond the frills of the 138bhp 2.0HDi Exclusive Auto (£21,595) I drove, it is not hard to see the C5's powerful underlying proposition in terms of style, comfort, fit and finish.

Citroën diehards will be happy they can still buy the famous 'feather-bed' suspension, especially as Citroën has tightened its tendency to roll into the bends, if not the rather light steering.

But you can also see how 'Germanic' underpinnings on cheaper versions could win new buyers in the increasingly competitive family/company car sector.



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Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

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##### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

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##### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
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**ACCORD**, - 2.0 Se 4 Dr, 164649, mocha, 2007, 7000 miles, manual, petrol, 4 doors, 1 owner, £12995, Drake and Fletcher Honda, Tunbridge Wells, 0845 130 4298 (TRADE)

## ALFA ROMEO

**156**, Jtd Veloce, electric mirrors, electric windows, cd player, head restraints, stereo, cloth upholstery, 16" alloys, red, 46000 miles, £5499, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

**156**, Jtd Turismo 4 Door Saloon, gi04vxy, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, head restraints, colour coded body, metallic paintwork, cd player, 16" alloys, grey, 45000 miles, £5499, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

**156**, Jtd Turismo 4 Door Saloon, gi04vxy, remote central locking, power steering, air bag, air conditioning, cd player, colour coded body, head restraints, cloth upholstery, 16" alloys, red, 65000 miles, £4999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

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**A2**, Se 5dr, remote central locking, alarm, rear headrests, height adjustable seat, adjustable steering column, electric front windows, electric mirrors, traction control, air conditioning, climate control, cd player, radio, twin air bags, abs, power steering, cloth upholstery, alloy wheels, blue, 56300 miles, £5995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

**A2**, Se 5dr, gi02cu, climate control, alarm, remote central locking, power steering, electric front windows, electric mirrors, abs, twin air bags, adjustable steering column, retractable headrests, anti-theft system, folding rear seats, cloth upholstery, rear headrests, radio cassette, u/c specification, u/c supplied, 16" alloys, aluminium silver, 66440 miles, £5999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

**A3**, 2.0 TDI (140) Sport 3dr, hv30tm, alarm, immobiliser, remote central locking, colour coded interior, sports seats, height adjustable seat, adjustable steering column, power steering, stability control, trip computer, abs, multiple airbags, metallic coded body, front fog lamps, metallic paintwork, rear spoiler, rear wash/wipe, electric front windows, electric mirrors, dual climate zones, cd player, alloy wheels, metallic grey, 64000 miles, £10490, AR Cars, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

**A4**, 1.9 Tdi 130 se estate, 2003, blue, 89500 miles, £10490, AR Cars, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

**TT**, Quattro, 577461, remote central locking, central locking, multi-disc cd player, climate control, 18" alloys, 4x4, olive green, 76000 miles, £8999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

## BENTLEY

**ARNAGE**, red label auto, 2001, biennial silver with black leather, 50000 miles, £45490, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

## BMW

**3 SERIES**, 325ci M SPORT CONV, 20664188, grey, 22592 miles, £18000, Big Motoring World, Wrotham Heath, 01732 220555 (TRADE)

**318**, 2003, mauritus blue, 25478 miles, £10995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

**7 SERIES**, 745i auto, 2002, silver met with black nascar leather, 52000 miles, £14050, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

**Z3**, 1.9 Roadster Convertible 2d 1895cc, electric windows & mirrors, central locking, deadlocks, ash traction control system, electrodriwer's seat, radio / cd, front foglights, black, 59150 miles, £7995, E-SURED Cars UK, Broadstairs, 0845 6447751 (TRADE)

**Z3**, Roadster Convertible, 1999/v, stunning dark met green coachwork with contrasting tan leather sports trim, original service books, power roof, aw, em, quality cd hi-fi, m-1ec alloy wheels etc summer bargain at £5995, metallic racing green, low miles, £6995, Riviera Car Sales, Folkestone, 01303 244244 (TRADE)

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**CTS**, cts 3.6 sport luxury v6, 2005, light platinum with black leather, 22379 miles, £12550, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

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**CAPTIVA**, LTZ 2.0, 1120639, finished in denim blue with black interior automatic, black, 4000 miles, £22995, caffyns chevrolet i wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

**KALOS**, S 1.2, 1129639, finished in sports blue with black interior manual, black, 1000 miles, £6295, caffyns chevrolet i wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

**MATIZ**, SX 1.0, 1155639, yellow, manual, yellow, 6000 miles, £4995, caffyns chevrolet i wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

**TACUMA**, SX 1.6, 1149639, finished in blue with black cloth interior manual, black, 3000 miles, £6995, caffyns chevrolet i wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

## CHRYSLER

**300C**, 5.7v6 auto estate, 2007, brilliant crystal met with dark and light state gr, 10577 miles, £18850, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

**NEON**, LX Auto, gk52 mve, front fog lamps, remote central locking, alarm, full leather, height adjustable seat, electric front windows, electric mirrors, traction control, air conditioning, cd player, radio cassette, twin air bags, abs, power steering, cruise control, powered folding mirrors, alloy wheels, silver, 53700 miles, £3295, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

**PT CRUISER**, chrysler pt cruiser 2.4 gt 5dr blue, 2005, 27672 miles, manual, petrol, 5 doors, 1 previous owners, blue, £7950, Drake and Fletcher Honda, Tunbridge Wells, 0845 130 4298 (TRADE)

## CITROEN

**BERLINGO MULTISPACE**, 2005, 2.0hdi 90 desire 5dr ds1 est, grey, 49500 miles, £5995, Banetts Citroen, Canterbury, 0845 3705768 (TRADE)

**C-CROSSER**, 2.2 HDi Exclusive 5dr, 2007, 2.2 hdi exclusive 5dr diesel estate, purplish grey, 10000 miles, £20995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

**C3**, 1.4i Desire 5dr, 2007, 1.4i desire 5dr hatch special edition, grey, 10400 miles, £7495, Banetts Citroen, Canterbury, 0845 3705768 (TRADE)

**C5**, 1.6 HDi 16V VTR 5dr, 2006, 1.6 hdi 16v 5dr diesel hatch, red, 12761 miles, £20995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

**C6**, 2.7 HDi V6 Exclusive 4dr Auto, 2007, 2.7 hdi v6 exclusive 4dr auto diesel saloon, iron grey, 50000 miles, £22495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

**C8**, 2.0i 16V SX 5dr Auto, 2003, 2.0i 16v sx 5dr auto estate, silver, 21680 miles, £6775, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

**RELAY**, 2.0 HDi Enterprise Van, 2005, 2.0 hdi enterprise van 1100 swb diesel, white, 30000 miles, £3995, Wilmotts Ashford, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

**SAXO**, 1.1i Desire 5dr, 2003, 1.1i desire 5dr hatch, silver, 23000 miles, £3495, Banetts Citroen, Canterbury, 0845 3705768 (TRADE)

**XSARA PICASSO**, 2005, 1.6i desire 5dr estate, iron grey, 22040 miles, £6195, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

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**DAEWOO NUBIRA** 4 door saloon, 05 2000, 1.6 p se mot styling 08, 0 miles, £5000, Beaver Commercial, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

**LACETTI**, SX 1.6, 25637, finished in mint green with black interior manual, black, 0 miles, £4995, Caffyns Tunbridge Wells Vauxhall, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

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### Lecturer Early Years

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### Lecturer Key Skills within Early Years and Public Services

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Kent currently has 20 Children's Centres throughout the county - with plans to increase this to 72 by 2008. Each centre serves approximately 800 children, offering a range of multi-agency services, with a qualified teacher contributing to the strategic development and direction.

You will be outstanding and experienced practitioners, possessing excellent interpersonal and communication skills as these will be crucial to achievement in this significantly multi-agency, cross sector environment.

Kent is seeking to appoint candidates on a part-time basis to work in one centre, or alternatively on a full-time basis to work across two centres. Ref: CFE/08/0172.

If you would like further information about these exciting posts please contact in the first instance Dion Darley on 01622 626761 or email dion.darley@kent.gov.uk

Closing date: Midday, 22 May 2008.

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The ability to travel is essential as visiting schools and homes etc is essential to the work. Ref: CFE/08/0184.

For further information about the post, please contact Debbie Spice, District & Court Co-ordinator, Attendance & Behaviour Service on 01233 898673.

Closing date: Midday, 15 May 2008.

### Joy Lane Children's Centre, Whitstable

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You should be educated GCSE, or equivalent English and Mathematics and have some general office experience. Having good IT skills and being a good team worker are essential. Ref: CFE/08/0182.

### Children's Centre Receptionist

Starting salary £13,959, with progression through

Contribution Related Pay to £15,826 per annum

You will need to have an open, friendly, welcoming nature with a tactful and flexible approach. To be the first point of contact for all visitors, dealing with all enquiries and visitors in a courteous and welcoming manner, ensuring all visitors are shown in an appropriate manner to their destination within the centre.

The role will include processing information received by mail, telephone or email, managing room bookings, meeting and greeting parents and visitors and ensuring the reception area of the children's centre is pleasant and welcoming to the visitors of the children's centre.

You should have a confident telephone manner, good IT skills and some general receptionist or office duties experience. Enjoying working with parents, children and young people is essential. Ref: CFE/08/0183.

For general information about the posts please contact Dion Darley on 01622 626761. For detailed information about the posts please contact Helen Jones on 01227 284513.

Closing date: Midday, 19 May 2008.

These posts are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

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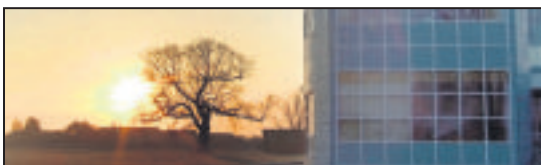
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For more information, Job Description and application form, please telephone the School's Personnel Department on 01227 595655 (24 hour answerphone) or email [recruitment@kings-bursary.co.uk](mailto:recruitment@kings-bursary.co.uk).

Closing date for receipt of completed application forms: 14th May 2008

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## Audit of Accounts

2007-08 Accounts

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No objection may be made unless the auditor has previously received written notice of the proposed objection and the grounds. A copy of such notice may be sent to me at the address below.

Requests to meet the auditor to ask questions or make objections in relation to the accounts should be sent to: Darren Wells, Appointed Auditor, Audit Commission, 16 South Park, Sevenoaks, Kent TN13 1SN.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Conference hears of green initiatives

A HEATING scheme fuelled by wood waste, an office 'pool bike', and the cultivation of urban pocket habitats are just some of the green initiatives local businesses are undertaking to reduce their impact on the environment.

These were among the presentations made at C4B's first environment conference, held on Earth Day recently in the main hall at Canterbury College.

C4B - Canterbury for Business - was launched in 2003. It is an economic partnership between the public, private and voluntary organisations operating within the district of Canterbury.

Businesses join C4B as associate members free of charge.

### Seminars promise to be eye-opening

COMPANIES survive on their sales numbers, but it's an eye-opening experience to look at the deficiencies of modern-day selling systems and sales techniques, says one firm.

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### Printer gets bigger

ASHFORD printer Headley Brothers has commissioned its second ten-colour long perfecting printing press, which cements the company's position as one of the largest sheet-fed printers in the UK with 50 units.

The firm provides a digital, sheetfed and web printing service to a nationwide market, producing magazines, journals, annual reports and commercial material.

## No gimmicks - just a good CV

NOT making spelling mistakes and ensuring the layout is eye-catching - elementary considerations when writing a CV.

But all too often when it comes to landing an interview for a dream job many people are too lazy when it comes to presenting themselves in the best light.

A survey of CVs by an online recruitment site has found that four out of every ten received by an employer contain fundamental errors.

Spelling mistakes, poor punctuation and bad design or layout lead the list of worst CV crimes.

Jobsincredit.com interviewed 100 HR professionals at some of the UK's leading organisations.

As well as poor attention to detail, other errors included the omission of qualifications, key dates and even contact details for referees.

Brett Marlow, director of Jobsincredit.com, said: "With spelling and grammar checkers built into word processors, there's simply no excuse for a CV to contain typos.

"As for design, the principle offenders are the use of outlandish fonts and poor layout. A great CV needs to be easy to read."

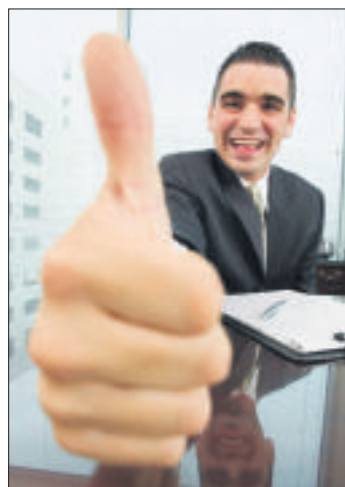
To help improve the country's CVs, Jobsincredit.com offers the following advice.

**Presentation:** First impressions really do matter so it's important your CV looks fantastic. If it's going to be printed and posted, use the highest quality paper you can. Wherever possible, get your CV printed on a laser printer. Never send a photocopied CV.

**Length:** One page is ideal and two pages are quite acceptable. Some senior or technical roles may run to three pages - but no more.

**Layout:** The CV should be eye-catching and uncluttered. Use bold text, underlining and bullet points to achieve this - but don't go over the top.

**Relevance:** Only include the information that sells you - prospective employers don't want to waste time reading details irrelevant to your ability to fulfil the job role.



**WRITE STUFF:** Make sure you get the job of your dreams - by ensuring your CV gets you to the interview

**Structure:** Place the most relevant information at the top so that prospective employers see this first.

For example, recent graduates will probably have stronger qualifications than work experience so should describe their education before their career summary.

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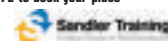
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# Gore Court preparing for a shot at the title

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**KEEPING IT IN THE FAMILY:** Former Kent cricketer Steve Marsh tries to get the ball away, with son Christian Marsh (wicketkeeper) looking on

GORE Court begin their assault on the Kent Premier Division title at the weekend with a tricky tie against Sandwich Town at the Grove.

The 1st XI will be led by former Kent paceman Martin McCague as they look to build on last season's achievements in which they finished just above the drop zone in the Premier Division.

Sandwich were promoted from Division One after they finished second, behind Hartley Cricket Club who are to be led by former Kent and England spinner Min Patel.

The Grove hosted a friendly game on Saturday as the club's 1st XI took on the 2nd XI.

## CRICKET

Minster Cricket Club take their place in Division Three of the Kent League this season after claiming promotion last year, following a second-placed finish.

They started their campaign with a friendly on Sunday against Lordswood in which they lost by 150 runs.

Lordswood won the toss and chose to bat, where they racked up 211 for six off their 45 overs.

New Australian leg-spinner Henry Cooper was the pick of the bowlers, claiming four for 61 off his nine overs.

Paceman Nathan Nichol bowled tightly, picking up one wicket and conceding just 14 runs off his nine overs.

The Minster chase didn't go particularly well as they were bowled out for a paltry 61 from 29.3 overs.

Kent Academy youngster, James Iles was the star of the show, claiming five for five off his five overs.

Only captain Andy Hosken made it into double figures with 18.

There were three golden ducks for Lee Thwaites, Mike Rees and Martin Hammond.

They will hope to put that behind them as they take on HSBC in their first game of the season on Saturday. Play starts at 1.15pm.

## Sheppey battle for the Les Leckie Cup

AFC Sheppey had a chance to end their season on a high as they took on Kent County League Division One East champions Bly Spartans yesterday.

Sheppey and Bly contested the Senior Les Leckie Cup on Tuesday night.

A win for Bly, would represent a league and cup double.

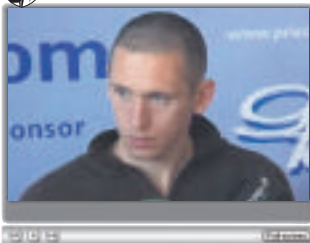
Sheppey could end the season in second, as long as third-placed Oakwood fail to beat Bly in their final game of the season on Saturday. The islanders would then finish 11 points behind Spartans.

For a match report and reaction see [www.yourswale.co.uk](http://www.yourswale.co.uk).

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**GILLS** captain Andrew Crofts talks after the club's relegation from League One

## Zebras' seconds win Senior Cup

IN the first cup final of the Sheppey Sunday League season, Fulston Zebras' reserves won against Division One high-flyers White Horse, 3-1.

The Senior Cup was on its way to Fulston Zebras after a tidy game where both teams seemed a little overawed, but goals from James Brincat and an own goal by Lee Surin settled the issue in Fulston's favour and will go a long way to compensate for losing out on the league title.

Red Lion trounced Ivy Leaf 13-0 to take Division Four. Goals coming from Chris Dolan (four), Aaron Kerry, Martin Hammond, Sam King, Brett Nevin, Jon Bayliss and Dan Baker.

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**FULL THROTTLE:** New recruit Alex Cunningham (left) is ready to show his mettle, while Jerran Hart hopes his performances will live up to his sensational first season with the team



# Crusaders on track for the new season

THE SITTINGBOURNE Fenced Inn Crusaders roar back into action on Sunday at the Old Gun Site track in Iwade as the 2008 speedway season gets under way.

Kent's only speedway club are competing again in the Conference League against teams from across the UK, stretching from Plymouth in the south-west, all the way to Redcar in the north-east.

For the second season running, first up for the Kent side are rivals Rye House from Hertfordshire in the Knock-out Cup and the Crusaders will have to be at their best to overcome the two-legged challenge of one of the favourites for silverware in the 2008 Conference.

Sittingbourne team boss Chris Hunt has put together an impressive squad combining local talent including, for the first time in the club's history, an import from the continent where the sport was born, Australasia.

The home-grown element in the team sees

## SPEEDWAY

■ BY YOURSWALE REPORTER

Sevenoaks siblings, Mark and Aaron Baseby, joined by Orpington's Barry Burchatt and Medway's Daniel Berwick.

The experience comes courtesy of returning skipper Dean Felton and former European Cycle speedway champion Andre Cross, a Crusader since 2005. The new foreign rider for the Iwade-based club comes in the form of hugely exciting Kiwi prospect, Alex Cunningham.

The 20-year-old Cunningham achieved his career best result back in March, finishing fourth in his nation's senior championship at a track in Canterbury, New Zealand.

Ipswich-based teen Jerran Hart stays on after his sensational first season last year in the famous crossed-swords race jacket and Watford's Harland Cook is also back.

The club's ambitions of moving up the league standings and achieve success in the knock-out competition will be tested by Sunday's visitors, led themselves by two Kentish starlets, Tonbridge's Lee Strudwick and former Crusader, Gary Cottham. Pembury-born Strudwick has had a terrific start to this new season, scoring a maximum for Rye House against Sittingbourne in the first leg last Saturday.

Strudwick and Rye's own new Kiwi, Andrew Aldridge, showed great form on a difficult night for the Kent club, with Mark Baseby failing to recover from an ankle injury and Burchatt and Cross also unavailable. To compound such selection problems, Hart and Felton both suffered seized engines on a torrid night for mechanical mishaps – chief amongst these were the recurrent serious clutch difficulties suffered by new boy Cunningham's machinery.

A 33-59 reverse sets a significant obstacle for Sittingbourne to recover at the high noon start time on Sunday, when fans will be hoping that it'll be happy days for Cunningham.



# Double first a ride in the park for 'Shakey'

## MOTORCYCLES

BY GLENN PEARSON

A SENSATIONAL performance at Oulton Park on Bank Holiday Monday allowed Shane 'Shakey' Byrne to claim two first-place finishes.

The Sheppey-born racer won the first race after an epic battle with Leon Haslam on the Honda.

Shakey had opened up a three-second lead halfway through the 18-lap course at Oulton Park. However, after edging out second-placed Ashford's Leon Camier, Haslam pushed Byrne all the way, closing the gap to within two-tenths of a second on the penultimate lap, but Byrne held firm to keep Haslam at bay.

Previous joint-championship leader Cal Crutchlow, who was in pole position, finished a disappointing sixth which means Byrne topped the leader board after the first race.

### Flagged

However, the action was even more intense in the second race. It looked as though Byrne was going to miss out on a top-three finish when he slipped a gear on lap three and missed the chicane, leaving him in 12th.

Yet, the Airwaves Ducati rider showed he really is the man to beat this season as he moved from 12th to fifth in the space of just four laps. He continued to make strides, but it was a collision between leader Haslam and Tom Sykes in the 11th that allowed Byrne to take the lead and he never looked back.

A nasty accident to Crutchlow meant the race was red flagged in the 13th, but the result was allowed to stand, capping off a fantastic weekend for Shakey.

The two wins means Byrne leads the British Superbike Championship on 95 points ahead of Ashford's Leon Camier on 56. The next round of the championship is at Kent's Brands Hatch on Sunday.



Picture DOUBLE RED

CLASS ACT: Byrne's two wins at Oulton Park means he leads the British Superbike Championship

## Superior fitness not enough in the pool

### WATER POLO

#### Bexley 17 Faversham 7

AN OPENING goal from Nigel Brown was not a sign of things to come for Faversham Water Polo team as they were defeated 17-7 by an impressive Bexley team.

After Brown scored, Bexley used their experience to slow the pace of the game and came back at Faversham with four quick goals. The score at the end of the first quarter was 4-1 to Bexley.

A rampage of goals in the second quarter took the score to 9-5, including a screamer from distance by George Layzell. Faversham defended a man-up situation well after Kinch was ejected, but Bexley took the advantages.

Faversham's fitness was superior to Bexley and a fantastic goal from halfway by captain James Perkins made it 9-6, but a combination of Bexley's experience, clinical finishing and Faversham having two of their seven man side ejected for major fouls at the same time, helped Bexley reassert their dominance, leaving the score 13-6 at the end of the third quarter.



Picture GETTY IMAGES

DETERMINED: Faversham put on a good show having only reformed recently

In the final quarter Faversham replied only once to Bexley's four. Hilton performed a stunning double save, but the final score was 17-7.

Faversham are improving quickly and impressing their opposition with their organisation, only nine months since reforming. Despite training without goals, Faversham have shown they can score against the best teams.

Faversham are next in action on Thursday when they travel away to RTW Monson.

## Consistent Hammond earns Town accolade

### FOOTBALL

DEFENDER Wes Hammond was awarded Faversham Town supporters' and managers' player of the year after being the only one to remain with the first team all season.

The central defender was signed in pre-season, but is the only survivor of the squad that started the campaign for the Lilywhites.

Clubman of the year award went to Dave 'Brentford' Payne and Ray 'Limper' Mills in recognition of their work in maintaining the playing surface of the Salters Lane pitch.

Dane Luchford's eight goals since December earned him the golden boot with Dan Whelan stepping up to receive the players' player trophy.

Under-18 boss Ray Turner presented framed team photographs to Hugo Gaskin, Matt Gearing and Sam Parter, who are leaving the under-18s to, hopefully, progress through the ranks into reserve and first team football.

Parter also picked up the first award of the evening, winning the golden boot award for the youth side despite his missing



WINNER: Wes Hammond, centre, with Jimmy Strouts, left, and Justin Luchford

several matches due to injury.

Gaskin collected the manager's player award whilst Jamie Sparks picked up supporters' player as well as the coveted players' player award.

For the reserves, manager Kevin Sims, who steps down at the close of the season due to work commitments, presented Town favourite Julian Beal with the award for supporters' player.

Craig Preston was honoured by his peers as he collected the players' player trophy with the golden boot for the reserves side going to Dan Butler.

It was announced that John Goodwin and Julian Beal would be stepping into the shoes of Kevin Sims by taking control of the reserve side for the forthcoming season.

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SPORT IN BRIEF



IN THE RUNS: Justin Kemp hit 68 to see Kent home

## Spitfires battle their way to first victory

JUSTIN Kemp paid back a large amount of faith put in him by Kent as he led the Spitfires to their first win of the Friends Provident Trophy against Sussex at Hove.

The burly South African clubbed an unbeaten 68 from 75 balls, which included five fours and a six as he guided Kent over the line with just one ball remaining.

Kent travelled to Hove knowing they had to win to stay in the competition after defeats to Essex and Middlesex in their opening two games.

Having put Sussex into bat, the Spitfires reduced the Sharks to 110 for four, but then Michael Yardy joined Luke Wright and the pair put on 67 for the fifth wicket.

Yardy went on to score 50 before he became one of three wickets for former Sussex all-rounder, Yasir Arafat.

Carl Hopkinson came in and clubbed 35 from 32 balls at the end as Sussex made a respectable 245 for six off their 50 overs.

Simon Cook was the pick of the Kent attack, recording figures of two for 25 off his ten overs.

In the run chase, Kent got off to a bad start, losing captain Rob Key for just two.

However, Joe Denly showed some good form after a disappointing start to the campaign as he scored 43 from 80 balls in putting together a partnership of 103 with South African, Martin van Jaarsveld.

The Spitfires then lost both Denly and van Jaarsveld (58) for just one run as the Sharks fought back.

Darren Stevens scored 15 before he was run out and Geraint Jones hit a run-a-ball 24 to put on an important 38 with Kemp.

The South African found it hard to keep the strike towards the end of the innings, but he had help from Ryan McLaren who hit 17 off 14 balls as Kent won on the penultimate ball.

The Spitfires were in action on Monday at the Brit Oval against old adversaries, Surrey. For a report and reaction, visit [www.yourswale.co.uk](http://www.yourswale.co.uk).

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Team GBR racer Robbie Kerr on the A1 Grand Prix at Kent's Brands Hatch

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